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GUNMEN SHOOT UP BURMESE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

U Aung San, Five Others Murdered

Three Die In U Saw Arrest

Rangoon, July 20.
Three Myochit Party members were killed in a gun battle on Saturday night in the home of U Saw, former Burmese Premier, when Burmese Police arrested U Saw and 19 members of his Myochit Party. It was officially announced today.

The official announcement by the Rangoon authorities said the arrests were carried out by Ba Maung, Inspector General of the Burma Police.

U Saw was taken to Insein Jail last night and this morning was brought to the Rangoon Central Jail under strong escort. A search of his house resulted in the discovery of arms and a "considerable quantity of ammunition." It was reported officially.

The former Premier was arrested on January 18, 1942, on charges of collaboration with the Japanese. He was interned in Egypt during the war. His Myochit Party was one of the original groups of the Anti-Fascist People's Freedom League and he was once mentioned as a possibility for President but later broke with Aung San, the AFPFL President.

A statement issued by AFPFL HQ today said Thakin Nu, AFPFL Vice-President, had formed a new executive council, which had received the approval of the AFPFL Executive Committee and had been accepted by the Governor, Sir Hubert Rance.

Shocked

Rangoon was shocked by the assassination of U Aung San. The murdered bodies of Aung San and the other slain Burmese Minister will lie in state for a period of one month before a funeral is held, it was learned at the AFPFL HQ.

They will be brought today to Rangoon's historic Jubilee Hall—scene of the AFPFL General Convention in June and laid out for the public to pay its last respects. Members of the People's Volunteer Organisation will mount guard.

All shops and bazaars in Rangoon have been closed as a mark of respect. The People's Volunteer Organisation, GHO, issued a directive today accepting the formation of a new government and calling upon all the members to remain calm.—Associated Press.

H.K. Plane In Forced Landing

An L-5 training plane belonging to the Far East Flying Training School made an emergency landing in a paddy field near Hong Kong early yesterday morning, but was later able to take off under its own power and return to Kai Tak field.

The plane was on an early-morning flight when it encountered heavy rain squalls and was forced down in a field near the Chinese border. The duty destroyer and several RAF planes were ordered out to conduct an air-sea search, but the pilot, P.H. Shien, took off after the rain stopped. The plane was undamaged. United Press.

U SAW UNDER ARREST Terrorist Outrage In Rangoon

London, July 19.
Six leading members of the Burma Government were killed and two wounded in Rangoon today when a gang of men burst into the Council Chamber and sprayed a meeting of the Executive Council with bullets.

Details of this "murderous attack" came through to the Burma Office in London tonight from the Governor of Burma, Sir Hubert Rance, after Rangoon had been cut off from communication with the rest of the world for some hours.

Sir Hubert's message stated: When the Executive Council was in session, a jeep drew up to the main entrance. One man stayed in the jeep and five men, armed with Sten-guns and two rifles, went upstairs to the Council Chamber.

An armed guard outside the door tried to stop them and was shot. He was badly wounded and could not give any details.

The three men armed with Sten-guns entered the Council Chamber and sprayed the occupants with bullets. They then made good their escape in the jeep.

The following casualties are now confirmed:

Six Dead

Dead: U Aung San, Deputy Chairman of the Council, U Ba Win, Member for Commerce and Supplies, Abdul Bazak, Member for Education and Planning, Mahn Ba Khing, Member for Industry and Labour, Thakin Mya, Member for Finance, Ohn Maung, Deputy Secretary, Transport and Communications Department.

Wounded: U Ba Choc, Member for Information, The Saw Bwa of Mong Pawa, Counsellor for the frontier areas.

The casualties were sent to the General Hospital without delay and the situation is reported to have been efficiently handled by the police.

There is nothing in the reports so far received to suggest that the situation is not fully under control. Further information will be made available. There is as yet no clue to the identity of the assassins.

Outstanding Figure

The Burma Government—or Governor's Executive Council—consists of about 14 members, most of them associated with U Aung San's Anti-Fascist People's Freedom League. U Aung San was the outstanding figure. Another leader, Thakin Mya, accompanied U Aung San's delegation to London which in January last signed an agreement with the British Government for the self-government of Burma.

Other delegates were U Ba Pe, who has now left the Government, and U Tin Tut, who had an independent status. U Tin Tut, who is now in London, is the Burmese High Commissioner-Designate. The two remaining members of the Mission, U Saw, who was pre-invasion Prime Minister of Burma, and Thakin Ba Sein, refused to sign the agreement. Those two represented the Myochit and Dobama Asiayona minority parties.

Shortly after the return of the mission, U Saw and Ba Sein denounced the agreement and resigned from the Executive Council. They contended that the agreement did not satisfy the original demands of the mission.

The Burma Government Executive Council has been enjoying virtually Cabinet authority in recent months, and a Constituent Assembly, in which General Aung San's Anti-Fascist People's Freedom League has an overwhelming majority, is now staging a constitution

for a completely self-governing Burma. It expects to complete its task in early autumn.

Foe Of Communists

Recently the Constituent Assembly adopted a resolution declaring for independence outside the British Commonwealth. Indignation was aroused in the Anti-Fascist League by a report suggesting that the frontier areas representatives in the Assembly had been coerced into voting for this demand for independence.

Thakin Nu, General Aung San's right-hand man in the League and President of the Constituent Assembly, told Reuters that this report was an insult not only to General Aung San but also to the Governor, to whom the frontier areas representatives had immediate access at any time.

General Aung San has been described by the Communists in Burma as "a tool of British imperialism" and "a betrayer of the working class."

The Anti-Fascist People's Freedom League was in the first place a union of ten Burmese political groups which claimed in May, 1945 an active membership of 200,000.

Its armed section, which co-operated with the British forces in the final stages of the Burma campaign, was known as the Burma National Army.

New Council

The Governor, Sir Hubert Rance, announced in a broadcast from Rangoon tonight that a new Executive Council was being set up under Thakin Nu, 40-year-old President of the Constituent Assembly (which is drawing up Burma's new self-governing constitution) under the agreement reached with the British last January.

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HITLER SLAUGHTERED 5,000 GERMANS

London, July 19.
Hitler slaughtered nearly 5,000 Germans after the unsuccessful bomb plot on his life in July 1944, the Admiralty disclosed today.

In its third release of secret documents from German archives, the Admiralty says the full story of the attempted coup—the one genuine revolt against the Nazis by the Germans themselves—will probably never be told.

Soon as his death was accomplished, General Witzleben should take over the Wehrmacht, while General Fromm, at the head of the home armies, was to seize Berlin. General Ludwig Beck was to form a Government to sue for peace.

In spite of failure, other parts of the plan were put into operation. Reserve army troops began their march on Berlin without Fromm, and Witzleben issued several orders and proclamations before he was caught.

The "last months' terror" which followed was the last, and worse, crimes of the Nazis, committed against their own people, the Admiralty commented. Members of the movement were "deliberately hunted down and killed with or without trial at Hitler's orders."

Korean Leader Killed

Seoul, July 19.
Lynh Woon Hyung, popular left wing leader in the American-occupied southern half of Korea, was assassinated this afternoon while driving past the historic East Gate in Seoul.

A lone assailant fired twice through the traffic and afterwards escaped. Lynh died on the way to hospital.

Lynh was chairman of the Korean Labouring People's Party.

He was a centrist in Korean affairs and had been helpful to Lt. Gen. John R. Hodge, the American commander, in trying to bring together "extremist elements in Korea."

American officials said his death would be a severe loss to America.—Reuters and United Press.

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General MacArthur For President?

New York, July 19.
Gen. MacArthur's name continued to bob in political gossip about Presidential aspirants today.

Marquis Childs, in his syndicated column noted that "after the Civil War five men who served with the rank of general became Presidents of the United States...despite his emphatic denial there are shrewd observers who believe that Gen. Eisenhower is eager to make himself eligible...another general looms conspicuously on the 1948 horizon."

"That's the historic figure of MacArthur...conclusion of the Japanese treaty would further enhance his prestige. With his assignment concluded to the sounds of loud acclaim, the general would return to the United States. Timed properly, that would be March next year."

"Landing at Los Angeles or San Francisco, he would receive a tremendous ovation. His triumphal progress would continue from city to city across the country. Thus would the conquering hero become a formidable candidate as the time for the Republican Convention draws near."

"There is only one flaw in MacArthur's Presidential picture. In the Republican high command the conviction is growing that victory is assured. Therefore, when convention time rolls around, the hard-boiled men in control of the party will see no reason why they should take a glamorous figure who has never been a worker in the party vineyard."

PM, in a dispatch from Washington, reported that "MacArthur's name crept back into the picture after a long period of relative quiescence when MacArthur's Wisconsin supporters let it be known that 1. They expect MacArthur to be back in this country for his long delayed triumphal return around the Christmas holiday; 2. They expect MacArthur to allow his name to be entered as a Republican candidate in the important April Wisconsin Presidential primary; 3. They have suggested—or at least Taft forces think they have suggested—that MacArthur has no idea of winning the presidency himself but wants Taft to win."

No word came from Tokyo for publication regarding MacArthur's intentions but Wisconsin supporters insist that their candidate will be present and ready for action when the primary campaign rolls around.—United Press.

SLAVERY CASE

San Diego, Calif., July 20.
The Federal Judge discharged the jury when it was unable to agree on a verdict as to the guilt or innocence of Alfred Walsley Ingalls, charged by the Government with keeping his negro housemaid in slavery.

Earlier in the day the jury found his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Ingalls, guilty of holding a negro, Flora Jones in slavery for 30 years. It has not yet been known whether Ingalls will be retried.—United Press.

JAPANESE ECONOMIC PLANS

Tokyo, July 19.
The Japanese Economic Stabilisation Board announced today the creation of eight specific plans designed to lift industrial production level up to the standard between 1930 and 1934 within three years.

The plans at present are concerned with the distribution of fuel, electricity, raw materials, daily necessities, transportation and labour based on the assumption that Japan would be allowed to retain an industrial production level comparable to the four-year level of the last decade.

It is hoped to raise the present consumption of 1,500 daily calories to 2,200 by 1950.

The greatest hope, according to drafts of the economic plans, is that Japan will be allowed foreign credits which they claim Japan could repay by 1952. The plans will be presented to the Government on August 15.—United Press.

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'HONG KHENG' RESCUE

Warning shots were fired by HMS "Hart" during rescue operations at Chilling Point on Saturday to stop a panic among the passengers of the wrecked steamer "Hong Kheng." No one was injured and the sound of the firing had the desired effect, an eye-witness told the "China Mail" yesterday.

With the exception of one man who died on board of fright, all the 1,800 passengers—men, women and children—were taken off successfully by HMS "Hart," and the USS "Fox" and "Hawkins" and were brought back to Hong Kong early yesterday morning.

They were loud in their praise for the way in which they were taken off the wreck by the British and American warships, and especially for the way in which Lieutenant Fitzroy Williams, First Lieutenant of HMS "Hart," came on board the vessel and remained there till rescue operations were completed.

Heavy seas hampered the rescue operations and it was impossible for the warships to get alongside the "Hong Kheng." "Hart" suffered slight damage when she made the attempt. Lieutenant Fitzroy Williams and an armed boarding party boarded her and the warships then anchored and sent all available boats across to take off the passengers.

"Rescue operations were carried on smoothly until the vessel began to break up," an eye-witness told the "China Mail." He went on:

"Forward of the bridge, the superstructure was seen to be moving, as though it was already detached from the main part of the wreck."

"By this time, all the women and children had been taken off and when the forward gangway became unusable, the remaining men passengers panicked. Some dived into the water and swam towards the rocks. They were badly lacerated and had to be rescued first at the expense of those still on board the ship."

Shots Fired

"To deter any more from jumping overboard and to stop the panic, the armed boarding party on the 'Hong Kheng' was ordered to fire shots into the water. This had the desired effect and no more people took to the water."

"Despite the heavy seas, which meant that practically every survivor had to be man-handled on board the rescue ships, everyone was safely rescued and taken on board the three naval vessels."

"Among those on the merchant ship was a Chinese doctor, who volunteered his assistance in any capacity. As 'Hart' carried no doctor, he was put on board her. Dr. Chau rendered invaluable services."

Dr. Chau

"All the women and children were put on board 'Hart,' the men being taken on board the two American ships. It was found that they spoke either Fukien or Chichow dialects and Dr. Chau was the only man on board who could understand them."

"His services were in great demand. Women, with their babies and bundles, were ferried across from the wreck and arrived on board, not knowing what to do or where to go and very, very reluctant to part with their bundles. Dr. Chau consoled them in their own dialect, assured them that both they and their belongings were perfectly safe, and enabled the transfer to be carried out speedily and effectively."

"Out of the 1,800 passengers,

some 780 persons were taken on board 'Hart,' and her whalers, towed by American picket boats, were also used to load other ships in the vicinity."

With all passengers and crew safely off, the three warships then set course for Hong Kong, the larger American vessels gradually creeping ahead.

On board the overcrowded "Hart"—her complement is normally only about 150—the whole ship's company turned to with a will to make their passengers comfortable. The Navy is rather good at this sort of thing.

Describing the scene, our eye-witness said:

"Of a necessity, old women and children had to be separated from their menfolk and for the first hour or two there was a lot of weeping and wailing."

A/B "Nurses"

"Two hours later, however, the only people awake in the crowded ship were the sailors, who were doing their best to nurse the babies despite the rolling and heaving. It was no unusual sight to see three-badges A.B.s. walking around the mess-decks with tiny babies in their arms."

Their work was not made any easier by the fact that "Hart" held her fresh-water tanks during her abortive efforts to go alongside the "Hong Kheng." Sailors administering milk to the babies found that it was curdling—though the babies didn't seem to mind."

Food was provided from the ship's galleys and when "Hart" came alongside North Point, she hadn't a scrap of food or a drop of water left. At 10 o'clock yesterday morning, a small jelly-fish was found in the fresh-water tanks, which still had some salt in them at the time of going to Pags."

Some of the sailors, too, are a bit short of clothing—for they voluntarily gave some to the hardest hit among the survivors. Despite the inconvenience, danger company had but one regret—that

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EXPORT CONTROL ORDER EXTENSION

The Government are adding all countries outside the sterling area, excluding China and Macao to the Export Control Order 1947—with effect from July 28, 1947, and a notification will appear in the Government Gazette in due course.

Exporters are advised that after that date they will only be permitted to export wood oil, tin and raw rubber to any country outside the sterling area provided a licence is issued by the Import & Export Department which will only be given on completion of the declaration on (Green Form 2—A Export).

The procedure to be adopted is the same as the one already in force covering exports of these commodities to the North American Continent and the Republic of the Philippines, and it will be necessary for the foreign exchange proceeds of any of the three commodities exported to a non-sterling area country to be sold to a bank which is a member of the Exchange Banks Association.

Egypt and the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan are no longer members of the sterling area which comprises the British Commonwealth, (excluding Canada and Newfoundland), Iraq, Transjordan, Iceland, and the Faroe Islands.

they had not been able to do more. According to the passengers, though, they just couldn't have.

Surprise

Interviewed by the "China Mail" survivors said the grounding came as a complete surprise. A heavy sea was running and the weather was foul. They admitted that some of the passengers were thrown into a panic, especially when they heard that the engine room was taking in water, and that the ship might break up.

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Today's Events

July 21—China Coast N. & E. Officers Guild meeting, 4 p.m.

Coming Events

July 22—Rotary Club luncheon, 12.30 p.m. Speaker: Hubert Liang on "International Understanding."
July 22—A debate arranged by T.O.C. at Talbot House on the State and Liberty, 8.30.
August 7—H.K. & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd. annual meeting, noon.
August 12—H.K. & S'hal Hotels annual meeting, noon.

PITY THE MEEK

Street sleepers in different parts of the Colony have recently been called upon to pay certain street sweepers 20 cents nightly for the privilege of being permitted to sleep unmolested on the pavement. Any street sleeper who is not agreeable to making this small contribution is likely to find himself at the wrong end of a broom in the early hours or to have his scanty bedding doused with water.

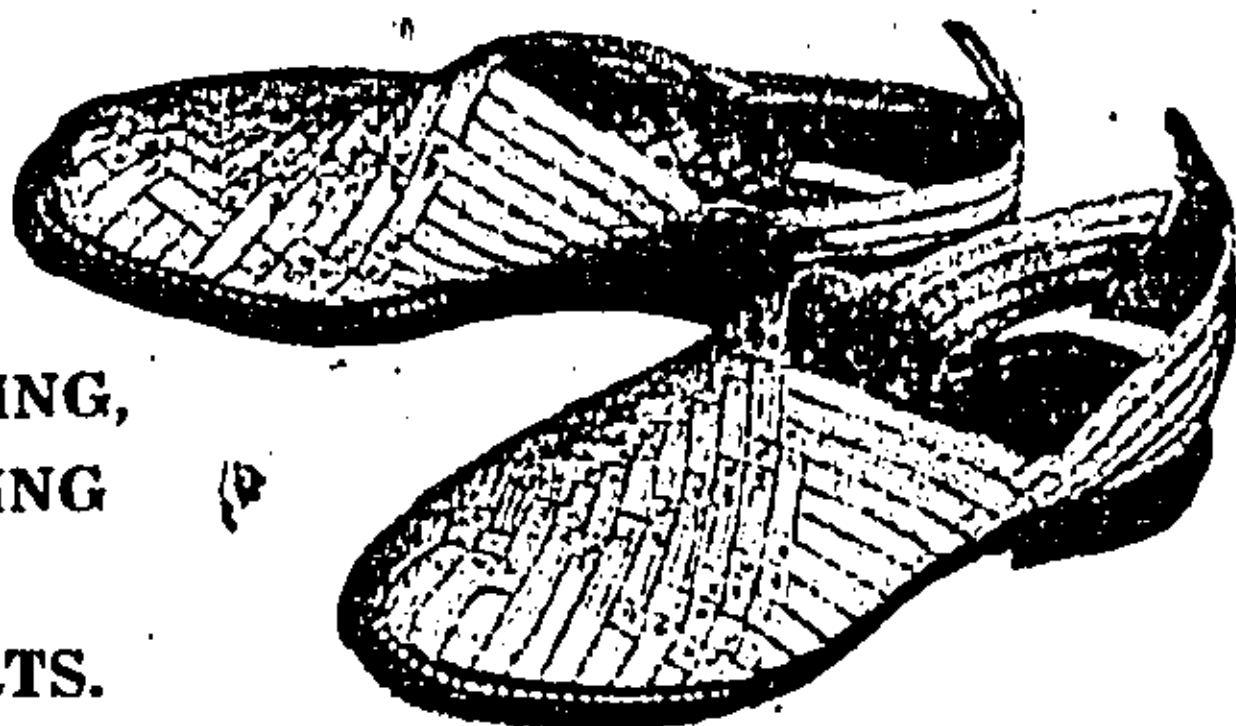
The Rotary Club of Hong Kong will meet tomorrow at 12.30 o.m. in the Gloucester Hotel. Rotarian Hubert Liang, who is making a tour of the China Clubs at the request of Rotary International, will speak on "International Understanding."

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NIPPARD WAS SHOT IN THE BACK IN COLD BLOOD

Sub-Inspector L. G. Nippard, of Lokmachau Police Station, who was shot in the back after a gun battle with an armed gang of between 15 and 20 men at Ma Cho Lung, near the Shum Chun River, on July 15, is making good progress towards complete recovery, the "China Mail" was informed yesterday.

PC Lau Chak-wah, who was with Nippard and who was wounded in the hip, has fully recovered and will be leaving hospital either today or tomorrow.

Inquiries made by the "China Mail" reveal that first reports of the outrage were not entirely correct. It appears that the two Police officers were shot down in cold blood when they had their hands raised after having been surrounded. Both shots, fired by the same man, were aimed at the officers' stomach but hit PC Lau in the hip instead.

Nippard, seeing his companion fall and realising that his assailant meant business, gave a sudden twist and received the bullet in his back. Both were lying in a paddy field when they were shot.

Swimming

With his legs paralysed, Nippard was unable to crawl and was only able to make his way across the flooded paddy fields by swimming a sort of breast

stroke. He was helped along by Lau who, when the water got too deep, carried his helpless companion on his back.

The four Chinese boys who were the first to tip the Police officers off to the presence of the three suspicious characters in the hut brought the news of the gun battle to Lokmachau Police Station. A search patrol was immediately sent out and had considerable difficulty locating the two men.

When Nippard and Lau were finally found, the search party had to build an improvised bridge (of bed boards borrowed from the villagers) before they could reach the Inspector, lying out in the swamps.

The "China Mail" learns that another duel between the Police and an armed party from across the Shumchum River occurred in the evening of July 16, the day after Nippard and Lau were wounded. No casualties were sustained on the British side. It is not known whether any of the marauders were hit.

"Semi Official"

Some of the villagers told the "China Mail" that they believe the sharpshooters to be members of a semi-official organisation, as all those who crossed into British territory were wearing arm-bands and were unusually well-armed even for robber-gangs.

Information received from other sources state that the Commissioner of Police, Mr. D. W. MacIntosh, personally visited all border stations on Saturday morning and issued fresh instructions regarding preventive measures to be adopted.

In connection with patrol duties along the border, the "China Mail" learned that Police parties are supposed to consist of at least five members one of whom, if on night duty, is to be armed with a Sten gun. The difficulty in carrying out this regulation lies in the fact that stations are seldom up to full strength due to absence on sick leave, etc.

SWIMMING FATALITY

A swimming fatality occurred at Laihekok at about 5.15 p.m. on Saturday, when a rowing boat containing Lee Sze-mui, aged about 23 years, and four other persons, including a European, capsized about 25 yards from shore. Lee Sze-mui, a non-swimmer, was helped ashore by her companions and artificial respiration applied. She died before arrival at the Kowloon Hospital.

TERRORISTS EXECUTED

Saigon, July 20. Four Annamite terrorists were executed here on July 17, following President Auriol's rejection of their petition for mercy, it was officially announced yesterday.

They were found guilty of causing an explosion in an ammunition depot, killing a Frenchman, and leading an attack upon an electric sub-station and fire brigade post in Saigon last year.—Reuter.

FANTASTIC MOUNTBATTEN STORY

London, July 20. The Sunday newspaper "People" reported today that Viscount Mountbatten, Viceroy of India, had been proposed as the King of a South German State stretching from the Dutch border to Lake Constance by representatives of the German Christian Socialist Party.

The Foreign Office called the proposal "fantastic," the paper says. "Lord Mountbatten's name was put forward for the crown of the proposed new State by Dr. Abenhauer, ex-Lord Mayor of Cologne and the President of the Christian Socialist Party, in the British Zone," the "People" states.

"Heated by Dr. Schreiber, editor of the Party's newspaper, a group of Christian Socialists have just returned to Germany, after making soundings in British Government and Court circles."

"They were surprised at the chilly reception which met their suggestion. It was cold-shouldered on all sides."—Reuter.

CHANGE IN STRATEGY IN MANCHURIA?

Peiping, July 20. A possible change in Nationalist strategy in Manchuria is believed in the making here with the prospective departure of General Tu Yu-ming for the United States on "sick leave." His departure will leave Nationalist operationalist operations in Manchuria in charge of his deputy, General Cheng Tung-kuo.

Attention here is focussed on the area southeast of Szeching-kai where a Communist withdrawal was reported in progress.

The question is whether the Nationalists will be able to cut them off as they retire toward Halling on the Mukden-Kirin railroad.

The Communists generally are able to move faster than the Nationalists.

Neutral observers arriving here from Manchuria doubted whether the Nationalists had enough troops to pursue the "obvious" step of sending several columns directly down to the Halling area from Changchun or Kirin to intercept the retreating Reds.

Heavy Rains

The observers in question took the view that if a major battle did not develop in a few days in the Sian-Hsifeng-Melchukow area, where the Reds are reported to have their main forces of three columns, there may be no major fighting in Manchuria until late August or September.

If the battle fails to materialise now it will indicate the Nationalists have failed to cut off the retreat of the Communists who then would be able to return to their main base at Yenki in Southeastern Manchuria if need be.

Heavy rains, already started, possibly will deter both sides from trying to initiate any new action through most of August.

Time for the regrouping of forces and supplies also will be needed by both sides.—Associated Press.

Nanking Claim

Nanking, July 20. The Central News claimed today the Nationalists in Shanghai had recaptured Tawenhow, about 18 miles south of Tolan on the Tientsin-Pukow railway, and are now in "hot pursuit" of the Communists retreating in the direction of Nanyang. Liu-chi, Communist Headquarters in East China.

The latest field reports said Tawenhow was being contested.

Elephants Hearts Are "Short"

Johannesburg, July 20. Elephant hearts are short in supply. One must deal with the black market to get locust legs.

Cuttlefish powder and seal blubber, considered excellent remedies for bleeding noses, are plentiful.

That is a report by wholesale dealers in South Africa's native medicines. Their average business day yields them each amount up to £300, but they say they now are faced by post-war shortages in many ingredients. Like elephant hearts, after hair is also hard to get today.

Elephant hearts, when grated, burnt and inhaled before retiring, are reputed to assure sleepers that they will have no nightmares. Locust legs—considered essential in the brewing of the best native beer—once sold for fourpence a tin, but today they are sold only on the black market at much above the controlled price.

One still can buy 50 different kinds of wild animal fat at two shillings a pound. Some 800 heral remedies also are available. Hippopotamus fat, the most popular, followed by the fats of the crocodile, python, lizard and whale.

Powdered snake bones are considered a sure cure for backaches, but they are no native remedies for tuberculosis and diabetes. They are considered white men's diseases.

All wholesale houses hire qualified analytical chemists to make sure that none of the medicines sold are poisonous.—Associated Press.

Low Output From Ruhr Coal Mines

Berlin, July 20.

The coal-rich Ruhr, earmarked for substantial contributions to European recovery under the Marshall plan, has been unable to meet even the needs of industries in the American zone adequately, Gen Lurich D. Clay said today.

In his semi-monthly report to Washington, Gen. Clay said that zone plants "are receiving smaller coal supplies than last year" and "lack of coal and electric power has already begun to affect factory output generally."

Gen. Clay attributed the decrease to "low Ruhr coal production, allocation for domestic uses and stockpiling for public utilities and railroads."

In spite of food incentives and mine recruiting programmes, Ruhr production in June averaged only 26,500 tons daily—one per cent above the May figures, Clay said.

Meanwhile coal experts in Gen. Clay's headquarters put the blame on Western Germany's smashed transportation system. One expert pointed out that stockpiles of more than 1,000,000 tons have accumulated in the Ruhr but "there is no way to get it out of there."—United Press.

Senate Confirms Royall

Washington, July 20.

The Senate today unanimously confirmed the nomination of Kenneth C. Royall to be Secretary of War.

He will hold the job only until President Truman signs the Armed Forces Unification Bill which is at present in conference after the House of Representatives passed its version on Saturday.

Royall succeeds Robert P. Patterson under whom he served as Under-Secretary.

After the unification, Royall is expected to become Secretary of the Army—a non-cabinet post—under the new Secretary of National Defence.

Mr. Royall's nomination raises speculation whether Secretary of Navy James Forrestal will be advanced to the supreme national defence job.

Immediately after Royall's nomination, the War Department issued a formal statement saying that relations between him and his brother-in-law radio commentator, Johannes Steel, are limited to "family contacts."

Steel, a naturalised citizen of German birth, last year ran for Congress in New York City with Leftwing backing, including the Communist Party. Steel is married to Mr. Royall's half sister.—United Press.

Tokyo, July 20.

The Japanese Ministry of Communications announced that it will "purge" all postcards and postage stamps bearing militaristic and Shinto designs. Stamps with the designs of General Nogi, Admiral Togo and other high-ranking members of the Japanese armed forces will be prohibited after September 1 this year.—Reuter.

Nazi Disintegration In 1944

Washington, July 19.

Captured German documents released by the Navy today showed almost a complete disintegration of the German Army and Navy in 1944.

The documents, which covered a series of conferences between Hitler and Admiral Karl Doenitz, also showed that the Nazi High Command was discussing long-range plans at length as late as December 1944, only five months before the German surrender.

In September, 1944, Doenitz presented to the Fuehrer a series of reports from admirals of port installations in Norway. The reports blistered the Nazi army for its failure to cooperate with the German Navy.

One German admiral declared that the leadership of the Army was "downright stupid." Another said the contribution of the Army was "absolutely zero" in the fight against Allied landings.

Doenitz told the Fuehrer on Dec. 8, 1944, that he planned to send 10 to 15 German Naval officers to Japan to study large-scale sea warfare. This was the time when the Japanese fleet was bottled up in home ports by heavy American air raids.—United Press.

Rev. Mr. Stevenson For Union Church

At a meeting of Members of Union Church after the morning Service yesterday, it was unanimously decided to invite the Rev. G. N. Stevenson, M.A., Glasgow, to the Pastorate of Union Church.

The Chairman, Mr. Finnie, stated that after the War, Union Church found itself without a building and without a Church; nevertheless considerable progress had been made. Members of the Church had been called together and regular Sunday services had now been held for some months, albeit in the structures which were not normally designed for Church worship.

A Building Fund had been opened for the purpose of erecting a new Union Church, and he was pleased to add that plans were now being drawn up and would be presented for Members' approval in the near future. He could not give any definite date when the actual building would commence. It would be governed by the cost of building and the amount in the rebuilding fund. He urged members who had not sent in their contributions to the latter to do so.

"But," he continued, "the third essential feature and perhaps the most important in the rehabilitation of a Church, is the appointment of a Minister."

The Church in Hong Kong had a vital role to play in the Colony's future. They were all only too often aware of the degeneration of the general moral level of Hong Kong since the War, and if that very necessary recovery of moral values was to be achieved in this part of the world, every Christian organisation would be called upon to achieve that end.

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Another band, which is more interested in hard cash than items of food, finds it more profitable to keep on the look-out for amahs who tender a \$10 note in payment of a small purchase.

As soon as the change is in the hands of the amah, one of the gang, armed with a piece of wire, approaches the amah and gives her a sharp dig in the back of the hand. The sharp pain naturally causes the amah to open her hand.

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Members would, he felt, agree that the appointment of a Minister was really necessary.

Mr. N. Garland, in proposing that the recommendation on the Committee of Management be accepted, stated that he fully endorsed the remarks of the Chairman. The Church could not hope to play the part which it wished, and ought to play, unless a Minister was leading the spiritual welfare of the Members. The proposal was seconded by Dr. Ashton, and was passed unanimously.

The Rev. G. N. Stevenson is well-known in the Colony, having been Chaplain to the 3rd. Commando Battalion, while stationed in the Colony.

Shortly after the refunding of Union Church he was appointed Superintendent Minister and won a high reputation for the work he did on behalf of the

GOC TO GIVE AWAY PRIZES

H.E. the G.O.C. Major-General Erskine, will distribute the Prizes. Certificates at the Diocesan Boys' School annual Speech Day to be held at 5.30 p.m. tomorrow at which the Rt. Rev. R.O. Hall will preside.

All parents, Old Boys, and friends are cordially invited. Tea will be served at 4.30 p.m.

Budapest, July 20.

The new Hungarian elections will be held on August 31. Dr. Eino Gero, the Minister of Communications, announced in a speech at Győr. He said that the elections were necessary because two years ago the country voted badly by sending people to Parliament who had deceived the masses by putting the country's independence for sale and had finally fled abroad.—Reuter.

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Mr. Bevin On The Situation

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Exploitation

He did not despair because of the passing difficulties. Mr. Bevin refuted press allegations that he intended to take advantage of the Marshall proposals to recreate Germany.

"It is nothing of the kind," he said. "German restoration must take its place in the queue of general economic reconstruction of Europe. There must be a standard set, and maintained, but there are two things which affect us all."

"They are: At what point and at what standard can you allow German production to be maintained which will prevent — and this is vital — the German workman being exploited by unscrupulous people to lower the standard of life of the people of Europe."

"We must prevent the exploitation of the people of Europe to lower the standard of life of the rest of Europe. That very fine balance has to be struck."

Security Question

"We are keen in view of the great shortage of coal to develop back again to its proper production the Ruhr coal fields which are the basis of an enormous improvement in European prosperity."

France was asking: "How are you going to rebuild the Ruhr which was the source of strength and power of the German military machine?" France looked at the Ruhr with horror and said: "Are you going to rebuild it so that there might be a third attack upon us?"

"We in this country too must look at our security. We cannot face another Germany of that character, and we are not going to," Mr. Bevin declared, adding that he hoped the United States would never withdraw from Europe again.

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Making A Crack

During the war, French economy was changed to suit Germany, and France had not been able to get it back on the old basis. One reason was that Britain had not been able to export coal to France.

Mr. Bevin declared: "We want to make a crack somewhere in the vicious circle that has the world tied up now. In order to

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General's "Poor Judgment"

Frankfurt, July 19. General Lucius Clay said today that Major Gen. James M. Bevens showed "extremely poor judgment" following investigation of Bevens' alleged part in the \$1,500,000 jewel thefts from Kronberg castle.

An official statement released by the United Press said that following an Army Inspector-General's investigation, which was termed "as thorough and as complete as is possible," the Military Governor "believes that evidence presented shows Gen. Bevens to have displayed extremely poor judgment."

Bevens is at present the Army personnel director in Europe. Bevens' name was introduced into the Kronberg jewel trials last April when a written statement by a former WAC Captain, Leola Birmingham, alleged that Bevens "picked up" certain items from the jewel collection in a Kronberg castle cellar and gave them to her.

She said in a statement read into the record by the defence attorneys during the trial of Col. Jack Durant that she had visited the castle cellar storeroom with Bevens in "late 1945 or early 1946" and that Bevens had picked up a silver picture frame and a perfume bottle from a magnificent jewel collection.

"Later Gen. Bevens gave the perfume bottle and frame to me," she said.

Bevens, when told of Gen. Clay's statement, said, "My

FRANCE HONOURS BRITONS

Berlin, July 20. Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir Sholto Douglas and Lieutenant-General Sir Brian Robertson, respectively the British Commander-in-Chief and Deputy Military Governor for Germany, were decorated by the French Military Governor at his Berlin residence today.

Sir Sholto received the degree of Grand Officer of the Legion of Honour and Sir Brian the degree of Commander.—Associated Press.

U.S. DEFENCE MERGER

Washington, July 19. The House, by a voice vote, today passed the Army-Navy unification bill creating a single National Defence Ministry under a Secretary of Defence. The measure now goes to conference to adjust differences with the Senate bill.

The Senate passed by 73-0 and sent to President Truman a bill providing a 20 per cent increase in pensions for veterans of the Civil and Spanish-American Wars, their widows and children.—United Press.

U.S. Programme In Greece

Athens, July 19. Dwight Griswold, head of the American aid mission to Greece, told a press conference today that the fighting currently going on in Greece is retarding reconstruction.

He said the American reconstruction programme in Greece "will bring together the people of Greece" and asserted that it would be carried out regardless of fighting.

Asked if recognition would be granted to any Communist mountain government that might be formed, Griswold said, "That is a question that must be decided by the government in Washington and not by me."—United Press.

Milgov Ends In Mandated Islands

Washington, July 19. President Truman today brought to an end the United States Military Government for the former Japanese mandated islands in the Pacific and named Admiral Louis Denfeld, Pacific Fleet Commander, High Commissioner of "The Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands."

The Islands — the Marshalls, the Marianas and the Carolines — were captured by the United States from the Japanese, who had held them as a mandate since the end of the first World War.

The new regime will remain until the establishment of a permanent civilian administration under an agreement, ratified by the United Nations and Congress, vesting trusteeship in the United States Government.

The President placed responsibility for the interim administration on the Secretary of the Navy, Mr. James Forrestal, reserving the right, provided in the trusteeship agreement, to close any areas for security reasons.—Reuter.

Prosecution Impossible

Washington, July 19. Authoritative sources said today that the need for atomic security coupled with constitutional fair trial guarantees makes it impossible for the government to prosecute security violators under the Atomic Energy Control Act.

These sources said that until some solution can be found the government will prosecute security violators under other laws in the hope of gaining convictions without producing secret documents in open court. But even so, these sources said, convictions may prove difficult to get. They pointed to the constitutional requirement that an accused person must be confronted with the evidence against him.—United Press.

Yugoslavs Sentence Germans

Prague, July 19. Tanjug reported that 12 Nazi administrators today were sentenced to death at Ljubljana for mass deportations, shootings and torturing Slovenians during the occupation.

Seven men headed by an Austrian citizen, Friedrich Reiner, former gauleiter of Carinthia, were sentenced to be hanged, five others to be shot and two were given prison terms of 18 and 16 years.

Those sentenced to be hanged according to Tanjug were: Friedrich Reiner, Austrian former gauleiter of Carinthia and supreme commissioner of the Adriatic zone; Ludwig Kuebler, German commanding-general of the Adriatic zone; Josef Vogt, German chief of Gestapo in Bled and Maribor; Hans Fleckner, German Lieutenant Colonel police commander; Walter Hochstetner, Austrian district Nazi leader for northern Slovenia; Reinhold Gerlach, German chief of Gestapo; and Franz Mueller, Yugoslav former Gestapo agent.

Those sentenced to be shot were: Helmut Glazer, Austrian chief of occupation bureau, for deportation of Slovenes in Bled; Hans von Hoessling, German Lieutenant general and commander of the 118th Division of

F For Freddie Is Still Missing

London, July 20. Time, Summer, 1943. Place: the night sky over France. Silhouetted against the deep indigo of a summer evening, the British Lancaster bomber, F for Freddie, bearing a deadly cargo, trailed a blaze of light across the blue. It spiralled, slowly lost height and then plummeted swiftly like a fallen bird, spewing its insides across the French countryside.

Four years have passed, but the fate of the crew of F for Freddie has yet to be determined, and, altogether, the fate of 4,000 gallant airmen—members of R.A.F. aircrews still listed as missing in France alone—remains a mystery.

During the war years, bereaved parents and wives flooded the Air Ministry with letters, telegrams and inquiries for news of their loved ones. The Air Ministry started investigations through agents in occupied countries, but only a small trickle of news reached London. It was impossible then to start a proper search.

When Europe was liberated in 1945, the Air Ministry put a new branch into the field—the R.A.F. Missing Research and Enquiry Service—to discover the fate of every missing airman. The Service comprises several units for each European country where it operates. In France, the unit consists of one headquarters and six search sections. Six officers and 40 men make up the headquarters staff; five officers, five drivers and their cars a search section.

Unknown Graves

These units have gone over the ground mile by mile, hoping to find some trace of their missing comrades. The sites of crashed aircraft, village graveyards and the wooded hill-sides have been searched and searched again for the most minute clue to the fate of a missing airman.

Of a total of 7,000 airmen listed as "missing" in France alone, about 2,500 have been identified by these teams.

Now the Air Ministry has announced that the unit will be cut in France to a small headquarters staff soon. Those in Belgium, Denmark, Norway and the Netherlands already have been withdrawn completely.

Often, when planes crashed, all clues to the identity of the airmen were burned in the disaster. The crews usually were buried by the French and the graves marked "Unknown." Many of these graves, neat and tidy and usually with flowers placed by their French tenders, have been exhumed and the remains transferred to a British military cemetery.

In this way, more than 75 per cent of the remains recovered have been identified.—United Press.

ARMY TRAINING BILL

Washington, July 20. The House Armed Service subcommittee approved on Saturday a universal military training bill following closely the plan advocated by President Harry Truman's special commission.

The bill calls for six months of basic training for qualified male youths between their 18th and 20th birthdays, followed by six months in a reserve component. The subcommittee action is

Indian Cabinet Reshuffle

New Delhi, July 19. The redistribution of Indian Government portfolios in what amounts to two provisional governments, one for the Union of India (Hindustan) one for Pakistan, was announced in a communique from the Viceroy's house here tonight.

The communique said that each government would deal with its own business and consult the other on matters of common concern.

Most important changes in the redistribution of portfolios are:

The Union of India: Pandit Nehru (Congress Party: Hindu) External Affairs, Commonwealth Relations and Law. Chakravarti Rajagopalachari (Congress Party: Hindu) Industries and Supplies and Finance.

Dr. John Mathai (Congress Party: Indian Christian) Transport, Railways and Communications.

Liaquat Ali Khan (Muslim League) Finance, External Affairs, Commonwealth Relations and Defence.

Sardar Abdur Rab Nishtar (Muslim League) Communications, Railways, Transport, Information and the "State Department."

Chundrigar Chun (Muslim League) Commerce, Industries and Supplies, Mines and Power.—Reuter.

Vatican Ceremony

Vatican City, July 19. Blessed Louis Marie Grignon de Monfort of France will be raised to the sainthood by Pope Pius tomorrow in the seventh of an unprecedented series of eight canonizations.

The Pontiff will proclaim the new saint in the Vatican Basilica in the presence of high French ecclesiastical authorities and many Dutch, Irish, Belgian and French pilgrims.

The new saint, founder of a missionary order and of the Filles de la Sagesse, is the third of four French saints to be created this year. The series of canonizations—longest in the Catholic Church for several centuries—will close on July 27 with the canonization of Catherine Labouré, who was beatified by the late Pope Pius XI.—United Press.

subject to review by the full Armed Service Committee at a meeting next Tuesday.—Associated Press.

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GENERAL OMAR BRADLEY Probable Successor To Eisenhower Implications Of Europe Visit

New York, July 20.
The announcement that General Omar Bradley, General Eisenhower's chief of staff, is going on an inspection tour to Europe and the Mediterranean leads inevitably to speculation as to how serious the Truman administration considers the military situation in that area.

Bradley has been discussed so widely as Eisenhower's successor next year that it has almost been accepted as a definite administration plan. In that event he would step out of his role as Veterans' Administrator which for two years has kept him more or less isolated from military affairs.

Considering worldwide activities which now must be supervised by the Chief of Staff, it is highly probable that a man contemplating the job would need to bring himself completely up to date on actual operations.

From that standpoint Bradley's proposed six weeks tour could be considered strictly routine.

There is no intention here to make a mountain out of a molehill. But the coincidence with other world events carries inevitable implications.

The chief of the United States Army now bears the responsibility under the Truman doctrine to halt the spread of Communism, but it is not clear how much he has to do with the spread of Communism in the Balkans, which have heretofore been attached to his post in peacetime.

World Defence Line

That doctrine envisages a defence line against totalitarian Communism worldwide in scope, which must be held militarily as well as economically and politically.

How far this necessity will carry America we do not yet know. But already the United States has assumed the responsibility for helping to reorganise and supply two Balkan armies which run close to a million men—1,500,000 which the Greeks plan to increase to 2,000,000 and another like 700,000 in Turkey, which through better organisation and equipment, it may be possible to reduce somewhat.

The military needs of the Chinese Nationalists, the American Republics and Canada, of all the countries which may participate hereafter in the "cold war" programme, have become the business of the American Chief of Staff.

War Threat

There is right now a definite threat of war in the Balkans; a war which could spread into a major conflagration. If Russia, instead of joining with the other powers to smother it, continues her partisanship through her satellites.

If the Truman administration takes the job of seeing to it that the Balkan situation of course belongs to Eisenhower who still has some months to go in office.

The Rumanian Chamber of Deputies today elected a committee to investigate the alleged plot to overthrow the government in Rumania.

The semi-official Communist newspaper Rumania Libera said that the action was justified as the deputies were "implicated in the plot to overthrow the government."

The Rumanian Cabinet is deciding today whether the peasant party should be dissolved.—Reuter.

Chinese Delegate's Quip

Lake Success, July 19.
Dr. P. C. Chang of China caused laughter while the Economic and Social Council was debating its agenda for the current session today when he stated "In the Security Council we deal with conflict. In the Economic and Social Council we deal with confusion."

Chang made the remark during a morning session on what problems should be considered during the current session. Many delegates spoke at length, but almost no conclusions were reached except that 38 items should be placed on the agenda for consideration during the next fortnight and three should be withheld for consideration during the first three days of next week.

Dr. Chang admitted the agenda was too long but added "If we don't do good and conscientious work here, we won't feel comfortable about the work we must try."—United Press.

German Economic Problems

London, July 19.
A Foreign Office spokesman said today that Britain and the United States are continuing their discussions on the summing up of a conference on German economic problems.

The position remained unchanged since yesterday and Britain is still insisting that the real problem should not be discussed in isolation but questions of food, labour, finance and housing should be included in the conference agenda.

The spokesman said that "terms" of the Anglo-American agreement fixing new figures for German steel output will only be published after the matter had been discussed with the British Cabinet.—United Press.

B.O.A.C. York Crash Theory

Basra, July 19.
One theory advanced here today for the crash on Wednesday of the British Overseas Airways Corporation India-bound York airliner was that the aircraft ran out of petrol.

The crash of six years ago, said to have killed 48 passengers including Mr. Edwin Ram, Labour Member of the Indian Interim Government, injured.

The plane was said to have flown three times around the Basra area under impossible weather conditions with a visibility of only 10 feet, and the pilot was believed to be realising the error when he was shot down by a gun and fell off in the direction of the Basra Airfield, where the plane crashed at the time when it was flying low in the beam.

Two attempts to land at Basra, it is believed, were made.

U.S. Keeps The Door Open

Warsaw, July 19.
The United States would not close her doors to countries which did not attend the Paris Conference on European reconstruction, declared the United States Ambassador, Mr. Stanton Griffis, here today.

Giving his first press conference, Mr. Griffis said that the absence of Poland and other European countries from the Conference had given a very unfavourable impression in America.

"If you want assistance from a friend, you don't punch him on the nose," he said. That was what the Polish press was doing, he added.

Mr. Griffis said that a hungry Germany was a danger to the European countries. America did not want to give preference to Germany's reconstruction, but the European problem was indivisible.

He added that he supported the Polish view on the frontier question and hoped the problem would be solved to the satisfaction of Poland.—Reuter.

NEWS FROM BEHIND IRON CURTAIN

Berlin, July 20.
German prisoners of war returned from Russia and interrogated by official American sources said that in Soviet Union prison camps they had worked alongside Russians up to the rank of a general and factory manager.

These Russians, they said, were being kept in political confinement because they had worked in Germany and they had "seen too much and had been infected with Western civilization."

The Germans questioned, former prisoners released by the Russians, were in such poor physical condition that they had to be placed in hospitals or rehabilitation camps in the United States—occupation zone before they could be repatriated into Western Germany.

Officials said they arrived "usually in rags worn for many years and absolutely filthy." With them they brought "an opposition toward the German Communist party that was more than outspoken."

Corruption And Favouritism.

The ex-prisoners said one area East of the Urals and the size of Germany was an enormous concentration camp for both Russians and Germans. They said the Soviet told them that while their present sorry state and the fate of Germany were the fault of the Nazis "the capitalist countries—above all Britain and the United States—were delaying the unification of Germany and endangering the peace of the world."

The Germans added "corruption and favouritism in Russia reached enormous proportions. There were fine department stores for members of the Communist party, lesser for the rich and mediocre stores for the ordinary workers. For the last two categories everything was sold at fantastic prices."—Associated Press.

Near-Slavery In Transvaal

Johannesburg, July 19.
Recent allegations of "near-slavery" in north-eastern Transvaal, disclosed by recent court cases in the Bethal district involving the treatment of African farm labourers, and a report by South Africa's crusading Anglican parson, the Rev. Michael Scott, have stirred the authorities to action.

It is reported here that replacement of the private recruiting system for labourers—under which farmers pay a captivation charge of £6 for each labourer by a Government-controlled system is under consideration.

Mr. H. G. Lawrence, Minister of Justice, stated that the Police would take immediate action to clean up the "unsatisfactory conditions" on some farms in the Bethal district.

Police, with vans and jeeps, arrived in Bethal and started a detailed investigation on farms. A number of farms were visited and four African boys were arrested and charged in the local magistrate's court with assault on native labourers. One European who charged on three counts of assault, with intent to do grievous bodily harm.

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Bulgaria's Fighting Words

Sofia, July 19.
A Government communiqué announced today that Bulgaria has advised the United Nations Security Council that she "will not bear the responsibility for future eventualities" if the Greek border provocations continue.

An official protest lodged with the Allied Control Council here charged that the Greek Government force commander admitted that he was holding a Bulgarian farmer as a witness to the partisan's entry. The note said he asserted that he would cross the border next time the partisans fled across it.

The protest said the Greek force entered Bulgaria at 0630 and at 0700 a Major Dimitrov, Bulgarian commander in the area, met with the Greek leader, Captain Georg Maniopolos. According to the note the Bulgarian, Peter Angelov, was seized one and a half kilometers inside Bulgaria. Two other farmers in the vicinity escaped capture, it said.—United Press.

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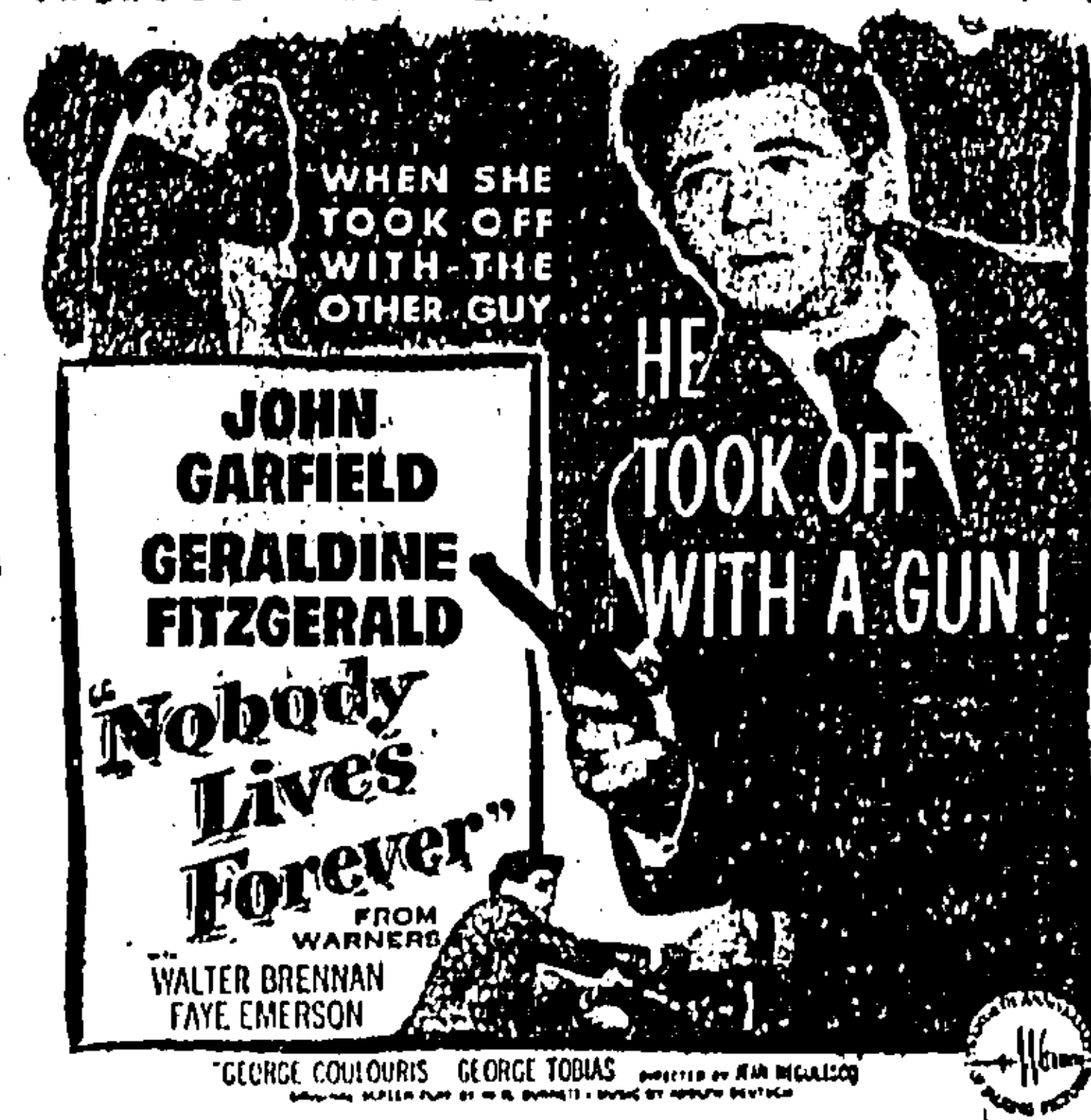
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More Chaos In Shanghai Business Circles

High-Handed Demands Of Trade Guilds Foreign Importers Hampered

Shanghai, July 20. American and other importers here today faced new control of their activities by various Shanghai trade associations or guilds which have no official government standing but which can block imports by firmly refusing to play ball with them.

Importers are already beset by the thousand and one regulations which hamstringing their activities with a resulting deteriorating effect on China's economy. In the past they have been limited in imports by the Allocation Department of the Board for Temporary Regulation of Imports.

The increasingly powerful trade associations now have informed import firms that import allocations will be fixed by the Allocation Board after the firms submit bona fide contracts with consumers and after these contracts are counter-signed by the guilds.

These guilds have been growing in power during the past year and have now attained a position where they can almost dictate to firms regarding dealers to whom they will sell imports who are not members of the associations.

American businessmen fear this will soon severely hamper their activities while giving guild members excellent opportunities to feather their own nests by seeing that imports go to favoured firms and non-members either get no imports or do so by paying a considerable "squeeze."

High-Handed

Most import firms considered high-handed the latest demand by one guild—the Shanghai Municipal Association of Paper Traders—that all import firms submit to it a list of all dealers to which the importers sold paper in 1946, the amount of paper and the price paid. The letter was accompanied by a large blank page for data which was asked to be confirmed by the bank.

The Paper Association said to its disappointment it found on going through some contracts submitted that they turned over to a few dealers part of the allocated quota for consumers who are not members of the association.

Refusal

One company refused to submit the requested data and the guild promptly refused to counter-sign the order. The action may force a showdown because the import company complained to the Allocation Board asking for clarification.

The guilds, though having no official standing, nevertheless have power. Should rubber manufacturers, for example, ask that the

manufactured rubber goods quota be decreased and raw rubber imports increased, the government would find it difficult to refuse. The guild could complain in polite language that failure to increase the quota would result in shutting down some factories, which would mean unemployment, more government loans and further opportunities for the Communists.

Importers' Fear

Importers fear that if the guilds continue to grow in power they could soon dictate import prices and select the actual customers. Importers could have foreign exchange quotas reduced and their profits cut to nothing while favoured dealers would continue to sell imports at exorbitant prices or hoard imported goods in anticipation of higher prices later. Imports now under at least partial control by trade guilds include: gasoline, cotton, rice, cereals, tobacco, paper, timber, wool, dyes, rubber, silk yarn, pharmaceuticals, coal and chemicals.—United Press.

Russian Rescuers Reproved

Tokyo, July 20. The captain and crew of the "Dona Trinidad," which ran aground off Sakhalin Island on June 24, arrived here today in the USS "Ozburn," complaining bitterly of the treatment they received at the hands of the Russians.

Captain Honario M. Baerios, of Manila, asserted the Russians failed to furnish proper aid to the wrecked ship on the rocks and that after the vessel began breaking up on July 10 they failed to provide 37 Filipino crew members with proper food and care.

Barlo said the "Dona Trinidad" ran aground in a fog early on June 24 in dangerous shoals of Nijo-Gan on the west side of Sakhalin, while en route to Nakwob to load paper. He said no radio station was operating on the Russian-controlled island and he had been unable to determine accurately his position since the previous day.

He said also that the light-house on Nijo-Gan rocks was not operating. The ship was in no immediate danger and he sent a radio to the American-controlled section of Japan for tug. He learned the shipwreck was in Russian waters however, and American vessels were unable to come to their rescue. He made a deal with the Russian Navy on July 22 to salvage the ship. The next day the Russian ship "Tobos," attempting to get a line on board the "Trinidad," also piled up on the rocks.

Barlo said the two Russian tugs which came to the rescue were too small to effect rescue work. The Russian ship "Irkutsk," and a Russian destroyer stood by until July 10, while tugs made vain attempts to drag the "Trinidad" off the rocks. That day, high seas began running and the ship broke in two suddenly.

Barlo said the crew barely had time to save their belongings. They were picked up by

Chiang Flies Over Floods

Nanking, July 20. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek visited the Yellow River flooded areas yesterday, flying for miles along the river course over Communist territory, the Chinese press reported today.

Chiang flew to Kaitung, Honan Province, and talked with local political and military leaders. He was accompanied by Gen. Ku Chu-tung, new Chief of Chinese ground forces.

Chiang exhorted the leaders to cooperate to the fullest with the provincial governor and gave military leaders detailed instructions regarding future actions.

This reports said the Generalissimo instructed the pilot to fly low along the river and that he expressed deep concern over Communist obstruction of dyke repair work which threatens large scale flooding.—United Press.

DEADLINE SUNDAY

Nanking, July 20. Civil and military officials intending to run for membership in the Legislative Yuan in the forthcoming elections must resign their present positions by tonight, the Office for Election Affairs announced on Saturday.

Existing regulations provide for the resignation of such officials five months before the balloting if they want to campaign in areas under their own jurisdiction or in which they are serving.

The elections for the Legislative Yuan are scheduled to start on Dec. 21.—Associated Press.

China's Protest To Russia

London, July 19. Commenting on China's protests to the Soviet Government against the Mongolian invasion of Sinkiang, the Yorkshire Post said today that the invasion "certainly could not have taken place without Russian support."

Outlining Sinkiang's geographical position, the editorial said: "It has long been expected by close observers that Russia would eventually make a move for the possession of Sinkiang province which would bring her right down to the borders of India."

The Chinese protests followed closely on China's denunciation of Russia's continued and prolonged occupation of Dairen and Port Arthur in flagrant violation of the Sino-Russian treaty, the paper observed.

"It is likely Russia intends to have Manchuria, though possibly through the Chinese Communists as their cats-paw."

Turning to China's civil war, the paper said that China is indeed in a grievous state. Eight years of war have broken her administration to pieces and although the personal quality of ministers is probably higher than in any previous government, experienced and trustworthy officials are few and the administration is riddled with adventurers whose ideas are to fill their pockets.

Chaos

On the Communist side, their former claim to be only friends of the peasants has gone to the wind. They made as much chaos and misery as they could in the hope of overthrowing the National Government and establishing themselves in the ruins. The same sort of upheaval has always followed the downfall of a dynasty in China, but today there is a profound difference in that the chaos is shot through with western ideas. Matters have been made worse by borrowing the committee system of government from Russia, which has directly opened the door to the backstairs influence of the shifting of responsibility and unprecedented graft, the paper concluded.—Central News.

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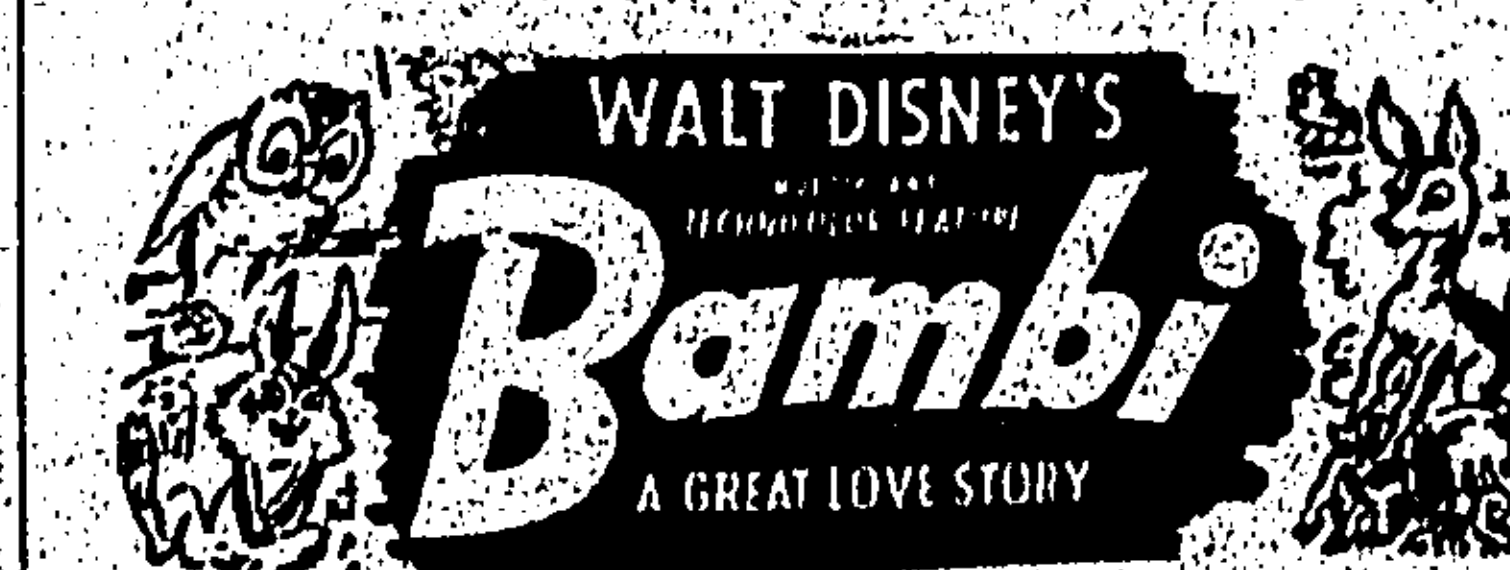
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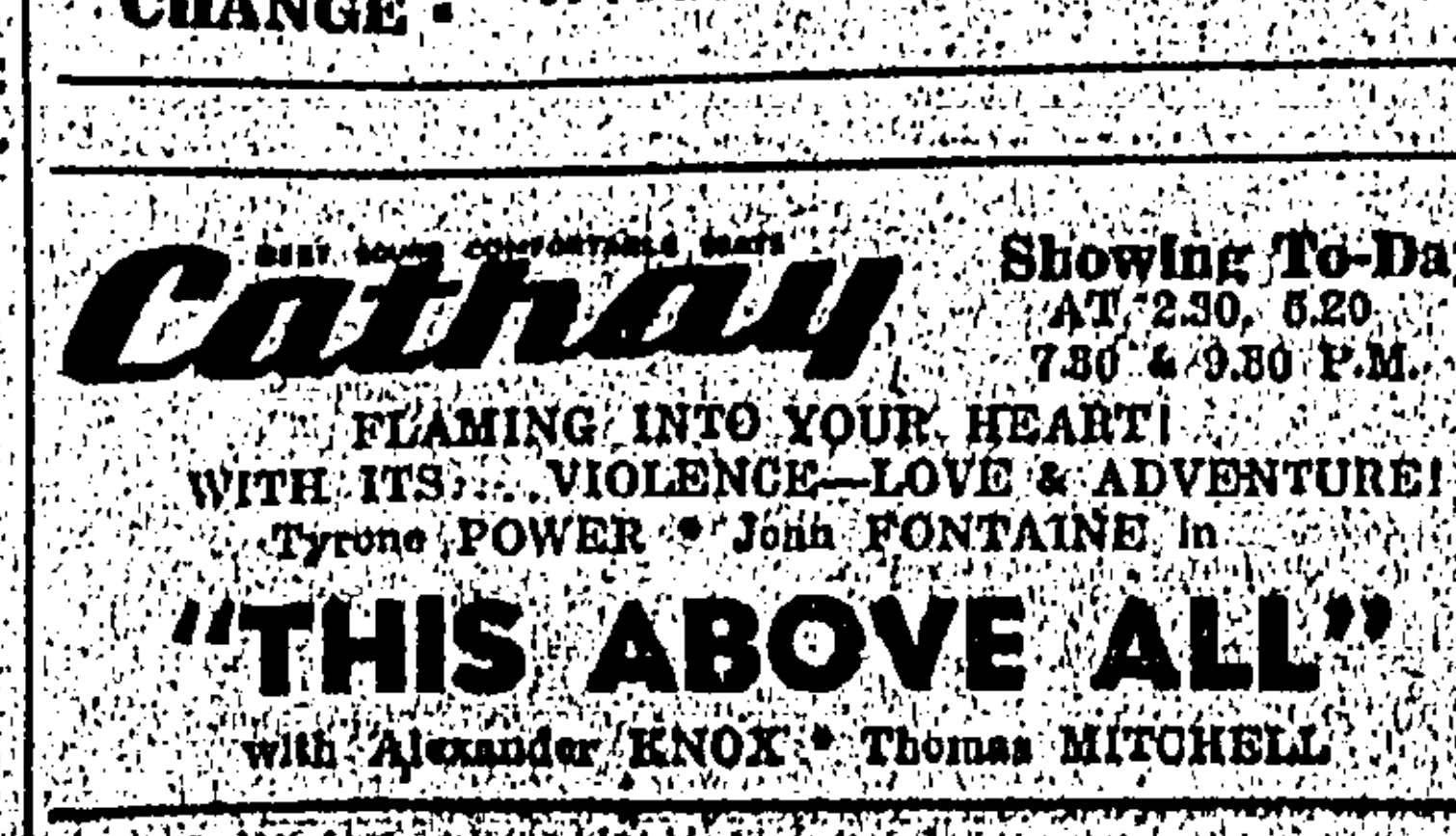
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EQUALITY FOR ALL

Into their crowded programme of nationalisation and other reforming measures the British Government have found time to fit a Bill to reinforce the rights of the ordinary citizen with regard to injurious actions of the State and its increasingly numerous servants. This Crown Proceedings Bill was hammered out by the House of Lords which has more time than the House of Commons and at least an equal array of legal talent and it has now been brought before the Commons. There is no opposition to it, indeed members on all sides eagerly welcomed it as overdue. Briefly it puts on a regular basis a citizen's full right to recover damages when injured by servants of the Crown acting in the course of their official duties. Hitherto such actions nearly always have been allowed in practice but only as an act of grace under the 13th century procedure known as petition of right. Both the survival of this haphazard method and the decision of the Labour Government to reform it as a consequence of nationalisation are typical of the piecemeal and practical British approach to constitutional law.

The Bill greatly fortifies the principle of equality for all before the law which all agree is a fundamental part of the British way of life and not less so when Britain is becoming more Socialist in character. It is of particular significance that it should be introduced at a moment when the interests and activities of the State are expanding in many directions. The Government also propose at the same time to reform the subject of legal aid for poor persons and bring down legal costs and when they have done these three things they claim they will for the first time have brought the State within reach of the private citizen under the ordinary processes of law in ordinary courts. That is more easily said than done. The Conservatives, for instance, point out a real difficulty in the provision that the State need not produce in court relevant documents if "not in the public interest to do so." Another problem is that it prohibits a serving soldier from bringing action against the Crown or its servant in the case of an accident occurring to him while on duty or on Government premises. The Opposition ask for a firm assurance that a soldier will never be put in a position where he can neither bring action nor claim pension. There are other provisions which in the Opposition's view show growing impatience on the part of the executive to submit themselves to legal control. They think this trend has gone too far and are trying to curtail it during the discussions on this and other bills.

The State from the legal standpoint is essentially different from a person in that it has responsibilities for protecting public safety, defending the realm, and operating great services like the postal services. But allowing for these differences the Government intend that the present Bill should enable the citizen to take exactly the same proceedings against the State as if it were a fellow citizen.

Bridges Boils

Washington, July 19. Chairman Style S. Bridges of the Senate Appropriations Committee today demanded that the State Department either quit "appearing" Russia or halt its efforts to check Communism in Greece and Turkey.

Bridges' boiled over at the Committee hearing on the bill for Greek and Turkish aid and other foreign relief projects. His blast at what he called the deplorable inconsistency of the State Department toward Russia was touched off by the Department request for funds to settle land lease "Pigaboo" contracts worth \$25,000,000—mostly oil refinery machinery for Russia—United Press.

THE COMMUNIST PARTY IN GREECE

By Robert Vermillion

Athens, July 18. The Greek Communist Party, first in Europe to meet head on the new United States foreign policy is struggling in the hills and cities to unite the Left behind a programme of obstruction of the American effort in Greece. Under Moscow direction it hopes to present to the world a major failure of the American policy of setting up democratic blocs against Communism.

Since President Truman's speech on March 12, the Communist leadership in Greece, composed entirely of Moscow-trained operatives, has been on the move, fading into the guerrilla regions seeking to persuade the fighting leadership in the hills that the time is critical and demands absolute unity with the cause of Communism, travelling up to the Yugoslav and Bulgarian borders for hurried strategy conferences with representatives of Georgi Dimitrov, Premier of Bulgaria and the Communist leader of southeastern Europe.

Red Policy

This is known from sources within the Communist Party and from intelligence services of various nations now in Greece, Bulgaria and Turkey. Those sources agree that the Greek Communist policy, designed to meet the threat of a possibly efficient and successful American mission to Greece, is as follows:

1. Achieve a place in the government through Communist front organizations such as the leftist coalition, EAM. If this may be done through a broadening of the government by elections or on American initiative the party's plan is to obstruct the American attempt to rehabilitate Greece by weakening the effectiveness of American controls.

2. Failing participation in the government, continue the shooting war, keep the nation's economy disrupted, strengthen the Left by enlistment of desperate people who will follow any leadership offering hope, and to incite by every means possible anti-American feeling.

The party's ultimate objective is to establish a Communist, Moscow-controlled state in Greece, restore the old Greek frontier cutting west across the country from Mount Olympus and the gift of Macedonia and Thrace to a new Greater South Slav Soviet Republic.

America's Weapons

1. The almost pathetic faith of the people of Greece in the United States. They believe that an outpouring of American wealth and ability will restore peace and comparative prosperity to Greece as rain gives life to drought-stricken fields. An American failure can turn this advantage into powerful propaganda for Communism.

2. The complete lack of Communist programme for the rehabilitation of Greece. The Party has offered nothing to the people except a change; it has no real programme for feeding the hungry or healing the sick. If the American Mission can broaden the distribution of money and goods, the Communists will have no weapons but their guns in the hills and possibly not enough malcontents to carry them.

3. The desire of local industrialists and merchants for strict American controls. A year ago these men would have opposed any controls. They were growing rich on a wrecked economy based on black-market operation. Now they fear the further collapse of Greek economy and the leftward drift of political feeling will cost them all they have gained. They hope and expect that American capitalism will safeguard investments within the country and guarantee them controlled but "reasonable" profits.

Dictatorship in Sofia

Nicholas Zachariades, secretary general of the Greek Communist Party, has little control over the guerrillas and his contacts with them are chiefly in the role of emissary from the dictatorship behind the Iron Curtain.

Hong Kong Fish

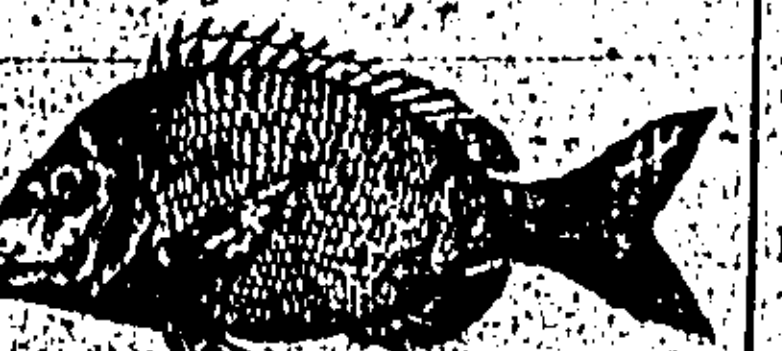
The scarcity of fresh fish in the local market has kept the price high. Little improvement can be expected until September or October. Five fish have been selected for brief mention in this month's article: they are the Sea Bass, Yellow Fin Sea Bream, Common Lentjan, Spotted Sand-borer and the False Brill. All five species are available throughout the year but the Yellow Fin Sea Bream is especially abundant from May to August.



SEA BASS—(Mang Tso).
This fish has a dark silvery bluish body which is paler below but the fins are all darker than the body and the oval fin is usually black. A large fish, the common size is any size up to 5 feet 6 inches. It is available all the year round but only in small numbers. It is good eating, tastes like Grouper, and may be cooked in various ways. Average price in June \$1.60 per catty.



YELLOW FIN SEA BREAM—(Wong Keur Lap).
A good food fish, the flesh of which is of the consistency of cod. Its body is silvery with a yellowish iridescence and the fins, as its name suggests, are yellowish. Very good when steamed. Average price in June \$2.60 per catty.

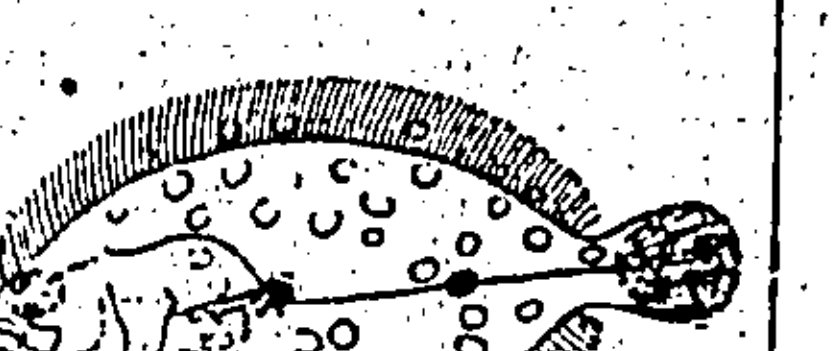


COMMON LENTJAN—(Lim Taim).
A grey fish darker on the head and operculum and with

six or seven darker interrupted vertical bars on the sides of its body, the whole of which has a yellowish silver iridescence. It has two horizontal iridescent violet-blue bars on its head of which the upper one runs from the eye through the upper nostril and the lower below the eye. Its common size is 10" to 16". Steam or fry. Average price in June \$1.50 per catty.



SPOTTED SAND-BORER—(San Chuen).
This fish is a greenish silvery colour with two horizontal rows of 6 to 8 large greenish brown spots on the upper part of the body and below it is of silvery white. Its body is elongated and its head is long. Common size is 7 to 10 inches. A very good food fish, it can be either fried or boiled. Average price in June \$2.50 per catty.



FALSE BRILL—(Te Po).
Although not as good as the spot, this fish is nearly always obtainable. Its body is a light brown colour with numerous light-centered dark spots in the centre of its body surrounded by one or two circles of small white spots. Sometimes there is a second group of such spots in the centre of the second half of the body. It has large eyes which are placed on the left side just above the central line. Its common size is about 10 inches. Fry or steam. Average price in June \$1.40 per catty.

Washington, July 19. The Senate today by unanimous consent confirmed the nomination of Kenneth C. Royall to be the Secretary of War.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



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BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

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THEIR VALUE CHANGES

IT'S AMAZING to note how the value of long strings of cards can change. Played at a contract of the opponents choosing, they may be utterly worthless. Used in a contract selected by your own side, they are terrifically effective. Bidding on such holdings involves a minimum of risk if you wait before coming actively into the auction and then proclaim them vigorously. Your partner is sure to know you lack high card strength but have elongated suits for your bids, and therefore is not likely to count on you for help you can't give, in case he thinks of doubling the opponents.

S 765	N SKQ95
H 465	43
D 2	H02
C AK107	DAK4
53	CJ4
	S10
	H QJ10843
	D 1098765
	C None

(Dealer: East. East-West vulnerable.)

East	South	West	North
1 S	Pass	2 C	Pass
2 S	3 H	Pass	Pass
3 S	4 D	Pass	4 H
Pass	Pass	DBI	

As soon as South noted the 12 red cards in his hand, he decided to bid them, especially in view of the vulnerability situation. When he passed, the 1-Spade, it was with the irrevocable intention of entering the arena on his next turn, no matter how high he had to call.

West passed on his second turn merely because, with enough strength for more life, he could not find any one particularly good bid to make. He passed again when the 4-Diamonds hit him, for similar reasons, and then decided he had plenty for a business double when the 4-Hearts arrived.

West was plenty sorry about his double, for South made the contract. He lost only one trick in hearts and two in diamonds. West said afterward that he expected to punish the bid badly, with East able to bid as often as he did. In fact, he expected a better score than 4-Spades would produce.

What a funny hand. Of the eight top cards in the deck, North-South had only two, one ace and one king, and the opponents six. Yet 4-Spades is virtually impossible to make and 4-Hearts is virtually impossible to fail to make.

If a player intentionally makes an insufficient bid, for the purpose of forcing his partner to pass his sufficient take-out bid on his next turn, what should be the attitude of the other three players toward the offender?

FAREWELL TO "ORION"

Sydney, July 20. A crowd of 30,000 bid a farewell on Saturday to the liner Orion which sailed for Sydney for London with 1,200 passengers on its second post-war voyage. The passengers included 32 members of the Australian rugby team which will tour Britain, James Morrison, the airman, and Peter Dawson, the batsman, who will give 70 concerts in Britain. —Associated Press.

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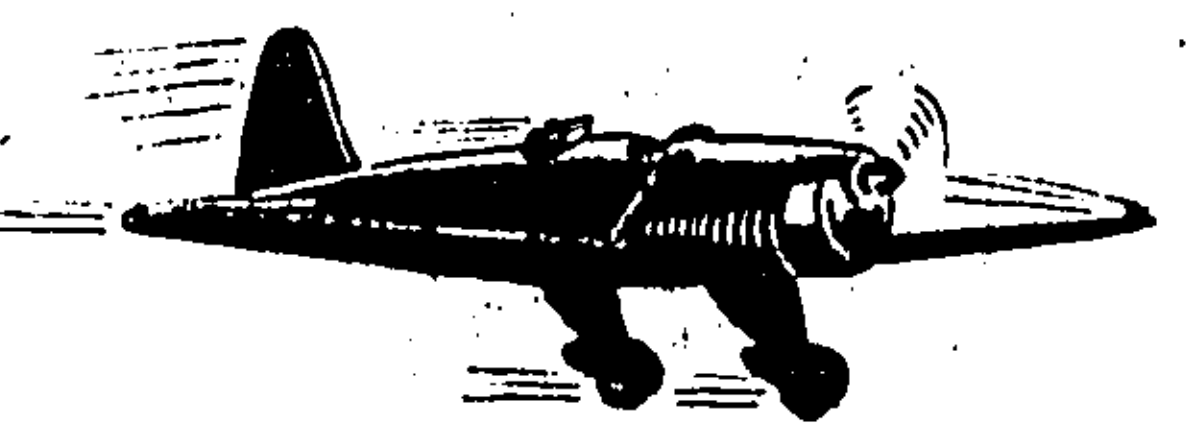
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DEADLINE IN INDONESIA

Military Action By Tuesday At Earliest?

Dutch General Resigns

The Hague, July 20.
The Republic is not expected before next Tuesday when the Netherlands ultimatum will expire, a government spokesman said today. After long secret Cabinet sessions of the last two days, the government informed the Lieutenant Governor General, Dr. Hubertus Van Mook of its decision that it fully supports his ultimatum to the Republican government.

When asked whether this meant that the government authorized Van Mook to start military action, the spokesman declared: "I have nothing to add. You only have to read the proposals handed by Van Mook to the Republican government on July 16 to draw your conclusions."

Van Mook's proposal set July 21 as the final date when all Dutch commands had to be fulfilled.

On July 16 the Republic had to order a cease fire, next day it had to stop its anti-Dutch propaganda, on July 19 withdrawal of their troops beyond the demarcation frontiers had to begin and on July 21 all these measures had to be completed.

Van Mook's Decision

Meanwhile, the first two dates expired without the Republicans complying with the demands.

Press reports indicated that it has been left to Van Mook to decide at what time eventual military action will begin in order not to cut the possibility of solution in case the Republican government would accept internally the Dutch demands. A Dutch military spokesman said that possible military action would not be on a large scale. It was more correct, he said, to speak of "police action."

(The strength of the Dutch troops in Indonesia consists of 98,000 men with modern equipment. It is estimated that the Republican army includes 200,000 men.)

Strike Fears

It is feared that large-scale Dutch military action in the Indies will be followed by protest strikes in the home land.

Some weeks ago when the use of Dutch forces was also threatening, the Communist affiliated Trade Union Congress EVC (Eenhids Vak Centrale) proposed to the Socialist Unions to prepare the proclamation of a general strike. On Saturday the EVC sent a telegram to the Prime Minister, Dr. L. J. M. Beel, asking him not to use force in view of the "very serious situation."

It was officially announced that the Second Chamber (Lower House) of Parliament has been asked to interrupt its recess. The members were called by cable to convene next Wednesday to hear a government declaration.

There were rumours that holidays of policemen had been cancelled and other security measures taken. — Associated Press.

General Resigns

Batavia, July 19.
Lieutenant General S. H. Spoor, Commander-in-Chief of the Dutch forces in The Netherlands Indies, has tendered his resignation to the Dutch Government "because the military situation has become intolerable," according to a press release.

port from The Hague tonight. The report added that the Government had requested General Spoor to remain "in the national interests."

General Spoor was alleged to have been responsible for an army order to Dutch troops, which Indonesian Republicans claimed to have intercepted three weeks ago, and which, they declared, commanded the Dutch troops to go into action against the Republicans on all fronts two days later.

The Dutch Ministry for Overseas Territories immediately denied knowledge of such war orders, and said that the reports referred "at the very most to documents on preparatory measures."

During a visit to Holland in January last, when the Dutch and Indonesians had already been in conflict for over a year, General Spoor said that the Dutch military strength overseas was sufficient to "restore law and order in Indonesia" if negotiations failed. He then admitted that the Dutch had also "made some mistakes."

Tension Mounting

Tension is continuing to mount in Indonesia following the Republican SOS decision for intervention by Britain, India, Australia and the Arab League.

Reports indicate that limited Dutch military operations against the Indonesian Republic are expected to begin within a matter of days or even hours, according to neutral observers.

Observers pin the last hopes for a peaceful settlement—since the possibility of renewed contact between the Dutch and the Republicans has faded with the Jogjakarta decision not to appeal again to the Dutch to avert hostilities—on still active British diplomatic efforts.

Apart from denying all reports of Dutch military intentions, The Netherlands East Indies Government sources here would not discuss the possibility of war.

Tonight, a Netherlands East Indies Government spokesman admitted that Dr. Hubertus Van Mook, the Dutch Lieutenant Governor General of The Netherlands East Indies, has received a reply to his recommendation on the last Republican answer to The Netherlands' demands, but pointed out that this did not mean that Dr. Van Mook could then order military operations.

Almost Inevitable
Although the substance of Dr. Van Mook's recommendation is not likely to be officially revealed, observers here considered it almost inevitable that it would lead to military action at least in East and West Java.

The Dutch official spokesman described as "a complete fake" a report from Amsterdam that authority had been given to Dr. Van Mook to use military action and that Dr. Van Mook had replied that he did not intend to march before Tuesday.

Dr. Amir Sjarifuddin, the Republican Premier, said in Jogjakarta tonight that he saw no prospect in the Dutch attitude to enable reconsideration of the Republican standpoint, when he expressed disappointment that there had been no Dutch reaction to his broadcast promise to cease hostilities if the Dutch declared the "ultimatum period" over in Indonesia. Republican police and volunteer guards at Republican-held buildings here were alerted to night after unconfirmed reports that the Dutch authorities intended searching and seizing some of the Government offices. —Router.

"ENTIRELY FITTING"

San Francisco, July 19.
The Chamber of Commerce today sent a message to the Secretary of State, George C. Marshall, requesting that "the Japanese peace conference" be held here.

The Chamber said it felt it was "entirely fitting" that "the treaty be signed on these shores in a city that provided the great gateway for men and materials to be sent to win the conflict in the Pacific." —United Press.

LAST REFUGE OF REACTION

Morpeth, July 20.
The Minister of Health, Asquith Bevan, warned the House of Lords again that it will be stripped of its last remaining powers if it attempts to obstruct the Labour Government's Socialist programme.

Mr. Bevan, speaking at a coal miners' gala at Morpeth, Northumberland, described the predominantly "Conservative noblemen's assembly" as "the last refuge of ignorant reaction in Great Britain."

Labour threatened, in the 1945 election campaign, to wipe out the Lords' legislative powers if it tried to thwart the Socialist programme. —Associated Press.

Varsity Students Shifted

Shanghai, July 20.
The China Press today reported that 100 students of the local Utopia University were notified by letter from the faculty that they "are compulsorily transferred" and other universities, notably in Shanghai and Hangchow, are considering similar steps.

The paper said the letter steered clear of such terms as "expelled or dismissed" but the purged students will find difficulty in entering other colleges. The reasons for the "transfer," according to the letter, inciting a strike and breaking agreements with the faculty. —United Press.

Wedemeyer Is Not Committed

Honolulu, July 20.
Lt. Gen. Albert C. Wedemeyer said today the mission to study Chinese aid problems which he heads "is handicapped by no commitments of any sort."

He made the statement apparently to counteract an interpretation by newspapermen of his remarks on Friday to the effect that aid under the Marshall plan might extend to all China and Korea, including areas dominated by Russia.

Mr. Mark Watson, Gen. Wedemeyer's press adviser, said the mission will spend at least six weeks studying conditions in the Orient, and its movements thereafter would be determined by the outcome of the study.

"Gen. Wedemeyer can make no statement concerning his expectations or intentions," Mr. Watson said. "The entire study will be an objective one."

The Wedemeyer mission was scheduled to take off for China in a U.S. Army Transport Command plane at 10 p.m. Saturday Honolulu time. —United Press.

JAPAN PEACE CONFERENCE

Washington, July 19.
An official Australian Government announcement circulated here quoted Prime Minister Joseph Chifley as saying that Australia would be represented at the conference proposed by the United States on the Japanese peace treaty, although the date chosen would determine what type of delegation would be sent. It suggested the conference immediately before or after the United Nations Assembly session in mid-September. —United Press.

U.N. Commission In Greece

Lake Success, July 20.
The United Nations Subsidiary Commission moved into northwestern Greece on Saturday for an on-the-spot investigation of Greek charges that an "international brigade" had invaded from Albania.

The move was reported to United Nations headquarters as the Security Council recessed hearings on the Balkan problem until next Tuesday when the United States will attempt to force a showdown with Russia on establishing a watch over Greece's northern borders.

The Subsidiary Commission's decision to move into Northern Greece came after its investigating team reported from the field that it had "heard little first hand evidence" that a detachment of an "international brigade" coming from Albania had invaded Greek territory.

Information thus far received did not make clear whether the team was able to make an "eyewitness" investigation of the area where the fighting was reported.

The team's report only said it had talked with Greek officers who had described the movement of large groups of guerrillas—some uniformed, others in civilian clothes. —Associated Press.

Soviet Criticised

Athens, July 19.
The 11 nation United Nations Balkan Sub-Commission, overruling Russian and Polish objections, today decided by a nine to two majority that a case had been established for an investigation of last week-end's guerrilla attack on Konitsa, five miles from the Greek-Albanian border.

Delegates described the Soviet tactics as "obstructionist and filibustering, and designed to prevent or at least delay a genuine investigation."

The Commission also decided to send a telegram to the Albanian Government requesting their cooperation. —Router.

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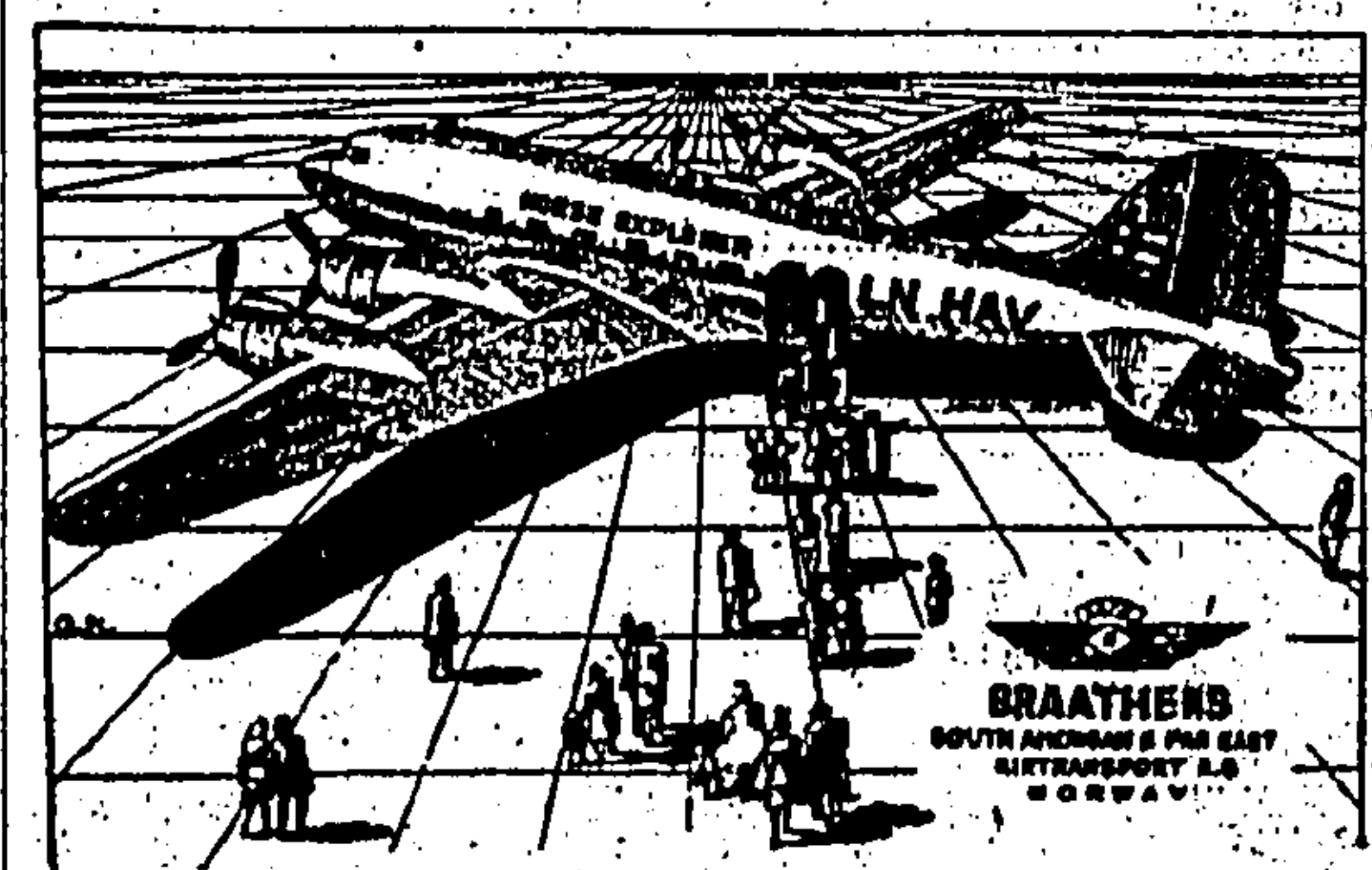
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EXECUTIVE YUAN RESHUFFLE RUMOURED IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, July 20.

Rumours of another early reshuffle of the Executive Yuan were making the rounds of political and commercial circles here today as Nationalist China put the finishing touches to preparations for the visit of General Wedemeyer and his fact-finding mission.

It is unconfirmably reported that in order to enable the Government to implement to the full the recent general mobilization order (which, in effect, declared an all-out war against the Chinese Communists) several changes will shortly be made in the Executive Yuan, including the appointment of Dr. Wellington Koo, Ambassador in Washington, as Foreign Minister in place of Dr. Wang Shih-chieh, who will return to his former post of Minister of Education.

On a Chinese newspaper said that Chen Li-fu, recognised as the leader of the Kuomintang Rightist elements, would also probably enter the Cabinet as Minister of Social Affairs.

Meanwhile, in a more sober mood than at any time since his appointment was first reported, Nationalist China is awaiting the arrival of General Wedemeyer, which is expected within the next 48 hours.

Most of the early high hopes entertained by pro-Government circles and press have vanished in the face of the repeated emphasis of General Wedemeyer's mission in all the recent reports from Washington.

The average thinking Chinese is now apt to agree with the opinion of the American-owned "Shanghai Evening Post" that, although General Wedemeyer may be a "staunch old friend of China," it is unlikely that he will be coming out "with a stick and a carrot for kiddies."

His major equipment will be "a notebook full of nice white pages," the paper added.

There are no two opinions among observers that General Wedemeyer's task will be fraught with difficulties, whether he intends to do all his fact-finding in Nanking or make first hand observations in centres such as Peiping, North China, and Mukden and Changchun in Manchuria.

Words, Not Facts

For one thing, as the "Shanghai Evening Post" says, he is likely to be overwhelmed by a people anxious to persuade through words rather than by demonstrated facts. Then, there are many who will try to stand between him and personal observation.

Whatever procedure General

Wedemeyer may pursue in his investigations, however, observers hope that he will be satisfied with nothing less than direct knowledge.

It is learned that almost every department of the Government, including the Foreign Office, the National Resources Commission, and the Ministry of Economic Affairs will have a separate report for submission to General Wedemeyer during his visit.

At least two of the reports—those of the Foreign Ministry and the Ministry of Economic Affairs—are expected to touch, among other things, on the Japanese peace settlement and the forthcoming resumption of private trade with Japan, on both of which questions there is much public controversy in the Chinese press today regarding the precise course China should pursue.

To date, China has not yet formally replied to the United States invitation to take part in preliminary discussion of the Japanese peace treaty, but is expected to announce her acceptance some time this week—probably after a conference between top Government leaders and General Wedemeyer.

At the same time, she will probably issue a statement defining her ideas of voting procedure which the Japanese peace conference should follow. It is reported that the Chinese Government while favouring the two-thirds majority voting system, also desires the simultaneous retention of veto power by the Big Four.

Japan Clamour

The public clamour against trade resumption with Japan continues unabated in the meantime. In a speech here today, Mr. Hu Po-shing, one of the leading industrialists in Shanghai and sponsor of the "Use Native" products movement, urged the Government to postpone the resumption of Sino-Japanese trade relations and abandon the plan of sending a trade mission to Japan.

H.E. FOUND IN GARAGE

London, July 19.

Scotland Yard said tonight that officers of the Special Branch found a large box of high explosives in a garage in London's Stoke Newington district.

There was nothing at present to indicate that the explosives belonged to any definite organisation, either terrorist or criminal, although the investigation was continuing.—United Press.

Mr. Hu declared that the reopening of Sino-Japanese commerce would only mean the swamping of China's budding industries by an avalanche of cheap Japanese goods.

Reports received here state that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, accompanied by a few staff officers, made an inspection of the Government positions and the Yellow River dykes in the area around Kailang, capital of Honan Province, in the course of a brief visit yesterday.

According to the press reports, the Generalissimo left Nanking in the early morning in his private plane and was back in the capital late afternoon of the same day. Kailang is included in the sector where the UNRRA Office recently attempted—unsuccessfully—to arrange for a cease-fire between the Nationalists and the Communists for a few weeks to enable the necessary dyke repairs to be completed, and thus avert the threatened floods late this month.

Meanwhile, on route back to Nanking from an important military conference, the Chief of Staff, General Chen Cheng, last night called a meeting in Peiping of top-ranking Government commanders in North China. Those present are said to have included General Fu Tso-yi, Governor of Szechwan, and one of the Nationalist Army's ablest field commanders, General Liu Tu-chuen, Governor of Jehol. General Sun Lien-chung, Commander-in-Chief in Hopei Province, General Li Chung-jen, Chief of the Generalissimo's Headquarters in Peiping, and General Shiang Shih-hui, Chief of the Generalissimo's Headquarters in Mukden.

Tsinpu Rly.

Pro-Government dispatches received here today report another important success in war-torn Shantung Province with the capture by the Nationalists of Tawerkow, an important town on the Tientsin-Pukow railway, about miles south of Tainan.

Although official confirmation is still lacking, Nationalist sources now claim that the entire stretch of Tientsin-Pukow railway between Hsuehchow, a major Government base in North China, and Tainan, the Shantung capital, has been cleared of Communists, and that eight out of 13 Red regiments, operating against the Tientsin-Pukow and Lunghai railways in South Shantung have been annihilated in a large pocket by Government forces.

It is also claimed that the Communists lost 3,000 men killed, wounded or taken prisoners in the five-day battle of the Tonghsien gorge, which was lifted by the Nationalists yesterday.—Router.

Shanghai, July 20.

The China National Aviation Corporation is fixing the next flight to San Francisco on August 1 on a charter basis due to the non-arrival of a permit from the Civil Aeronautics Bureau in Washington for Trans-Pacific service to the United States.—United Press.

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White City Games

Foreigners Take 14 Of 19 Titles

London, July 19. Overseas competitors carried off 14 of the 19 British athletic titles in the two-day meeting which concluded at White City today, the highlight being the brilliant run of the Hungarian, S. Garay, who, in recording 4 minutes, 10.6 seconds for the mile, put up the fastest time ever recorded in the British Championships and beat Sydney Wooderson's best of 4 minutes, 11.8 seconds, established in 1939. The Hungarians sent only a small team, but they carried off four titles all told—the mile, the hammer throw, the steeplechase and the pole vault.

American Baseball

New York, July 20. In the American League, scoring twice in the first inning off Paul (Dizzy) Trout, the Yankees overcame a 2-1 decision over the second place Tigers.

Team	W	L
New York	2	0
Detroit	1	6
Winning Pitcher Reynolds		
Ted Williams singled Johnny Pesky home with the only run of the game in the sixth inning.		
Boston	1	5
St. Louis	0	3
Winning Pitcher Johnson		
Washington and Cleveland postponed their game on account of rain.		
In the only games scheduled in the National League, slugging 14 hits, the Cardinals outslugged the Dodgers to cut Brooklyn's League leading margin over the ruined-out Giants to two and a half games.		
St. Louis	7	14
Brooklyn	5	10
Winning Pitcher Dickson		
Cincinnati at New York postponed the game because of rain, so with Chicago at Philadelphia also.		
Pittsburgh at Boston will be a nighter.		
New York, July 20.		
Major League Standings, including games of July 19 are as follows:		

National League

Team	W	L
Brooklyn	50	36
New York	44	36
Boston	46	37
St. Louis	45	39
Cincinnati	41	43
Chicago	38	45
Philadelphia	36	48
Pittsburgh	34	50

American League

Team	W	L
New York	59	27
Detroit	45	36
Boston	45	38
Philadelphia	41	43
Cleveland	37	49
Chicago	38	47
Washington	37	46
St. Louis	29	52

Texas League

Team	W	L
Houston	61	36
Fort Worth	59	39
Shreveport	53	43
Dallas	52	48
Texas	50	51
Beaumont	43	57
Oklahoma City	41	57
San Antonio	37	63

Southern Association

Team	W	L
New Orleans	62	41
Nashville	50	47
Chattanooga	52	50
Atlanta	48	50
Birmingham	49	53
Memphis	40	56
Little Rock	36	60

International League

Team	W	L
Montreal	58	52
Syracuse	51	38
Rochester	40	45
Buffalo City	40	44
Newark	40	51
Toronto	40	53
Baltimore	34	53

America League

Team	W	L
Kansas City	55	36
Minneapolis	51	44
Indianapolis	48	48
Columbia	43	49
St. Paul	43	53
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Pacific League

Team	W	L
Los Angeles	55	47
Oakland	53	50
San Francisco	58	52
Seattle	53	57
Sacramento	53	57
San Diego	52	59
Portland	49	57
Hollywood	50	60

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DOUBTFUL RUNNER

London, July 19. The Two Thousand Guineas winner and Derby faller, Tudor Minstrel, who was beaten by Miggall in the Eclipse Stakes at Sandown Park yesterday, is very unlikely to be a contender in the St. Leger.

NEW CHAPTER IN BOSE LEGEND

Tokyo, July 20. The Tokyo Press has contributed a new chapter to the legend of Subhas Chandra Bose, publishing stories that the mysterious, fast-moving Indian leader had with him a fortune of \$200,000,000 in gems and gold bullion when his plane crashed in Formosa on August 18, 1945. None of this vast fortune has been found, the papers said. The amount, even if all in the most precious jewels, appears fantastic for a single plane-load, but the Japanese papers blithely estimated it at 10,000,000,000 Yen.

Gunmen Shoot Up Burmese Executive Council

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Thakin Nu has been regarded as the most powerful man in Burma after U Aung San. He will be assisted by Pwaw Swe, U Mya, U Aung San Wei and U Ba Cyn, the Governor said. Sir Hubert, giving the first news of the attack to the Burmese people, said: "I deplore the dastardly act which has robbed Burma of a statesman and leader and of ministers who can fill his place."

Attempt To Swim The Channel

Hastings, July 19. Thirty-four-year-old Daniel Carpio, born on a "house on a raft" (houseboat) in the Peruvian port of Callao, will attempt to swim the Channel from France to England on July 25, weather permitting. In any event he will attempt the swim in the last few days of July or the beginning of August.

DEPOSED - INSANE

New Delhi, July 19. Mir Tahir Mohammed Khan Talpur, ruler of the Indian State of Khairpur in Sind since 1933, has been deposed because of insanity, an official communiqué stated today. The deposed ruler, who is 34, is succeeded by a 14-year-old son, George Ali Mir Khan Talpur. —Reuter.

Moral Re-Armament As A Weapon

Caux, July 20. "Moral Re-Armament is the most powerful weapon in combatting the forces of materialism and in defending the very life of democracy," said Mr. R. T. An, Chairman of the Chinese Association of Labour comprising one and a half million organised workers, and Member of the Legislative Assembly, when the Chinese Delegation addressed 700 delegates from twenty nations at the Moral Re-Armament Assembly at Caux, Switzerland, today.

Empire City Gold Cup

New York, July 19. Mrs. Ethel D. MacBob's Styline won the first running of the Empire City Gold Cup race at Belmont Park today, while the favored Assault ran third.

Tour De France Bike Race

Aen, July 19. Maurice Diot, a Frenchman, today won the 20th and penultimate lap of the Tour de France bicyclic race, covering 233 kilometres from St. Brieuc to Caen in six hours 23 minutes 37 seconds. Maurice Molin of Belgium was logged with the same time as Diot but finished a half wheel behind the winner in the final sprint.

Labour Relations

Mr. An who worked 33 years in coal mines is the former President of Chinese Mine Workers. He continued, "Moral Re-Armament is equally imperative for the improvement of labour relations. Under the doctrine of Dr. Sun Yat-sen the founder of the Chinese Republic we were early taught that class struggle would only lead us to tragedy. But fruitful teamwork and cooperation between management and workers will only be possible on a moral basis. The work of Moral Re-Armament is indeed a huge one. This is your job and also my own. We believe this force will permeate throughout all the world."

SPRINGBOKS SCORE 279 ALL OUT

Sheffield, July 19. The South African cricketers had to fight all day for runs when they met Yorkshire here today, and at the close of play had scored 279 all out. Against bowling which was relentlessly accurate and full of menace, the early South African batsmen found great difficulty in scoring runs. Mitchell took two hours to score 47 runs, and had it not been for the courageous batting of the tail-end batsmen the tourists would not have reached 200 runs.

13 DIE IN BUS ACCIDENT

Ancona, July 19. Thirteen were killed and several injured today when a bus collided with an automobile near Ancona and overturned several times. The bus was travelling from Pescara to Ascoli on the Adriatic coast. All aboard the bus were reported to be Italian. —United Press.

Close Of Play Scores

At Birmingham—Warwickshire 25 for 0 when rain prevented further play. Leicestershire to bat. At Stourbridge—Heavy thunderstorms prevented play in the Worcestershire v. Lancashire match.

Ex-Mayor

Thakin Mya, the Finance Minister, was one of the outstanding leaders of the AFPFL. With his chief U Aung San, he was one of the Burmese delegation which came to London last January to sign an agreement with the British for the self-government of Burma. He was President of the Burmese Socialist Party.

King's Message

The King's message to the Governor of Burma stated: "The King, who remembers with pleasure his meeting with U Aung San and Thakin Mya in January, is deeply distressed at the news of the attack on the Executive Council. He wishes his deep sympathy to be conveyed to the relations of the victims and that they may be kept fully informed of the condition of the wounded. He trusts that they are making good progress to complete recovery."

Great Leader

The Prime Minister's message to Thakin Nu was: "I deeply regret to hear of the brutal attack on the Executive Council and to learn of the deaths of U Aung San, Thakin Mya and four others. I know how great a loss they will be to Burma and what a leader she loses in U Aung San. 'I trust the wounded are progressing well.'"

Cold-Blooded Murder

U Ba Choe, leading Burmese journalist and President of the Burma Press Union, has supported the AFPFL from the beginning. He became Minister for Information early this year. The Saw Bwa of Mong Pwaw was appointed Counsellor for the frontier area after the successful frontier areas conference earlier this year.

Work Of Reds?

London, July 19. Burmese political sources in London said today that they believed Communists had assassinated U Aung San and five other Burmese leaders in Rangoon. These sources said, "We are convinced that the Communists were behind the assassinations because U Aung San had recently ruled that a large section of the Communist party was 'unlawful.'"

Leaving

Approximately 90 per cent of the 1,800 survivors are still in the camp; the rest have moved out to join friends or relatives in the Colony. About a hundred will be leaving this morning in the JCL ship "Van Heutz" and other batches will be sent on to Swatow and Amoy as shipping space becomes available.

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